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.. OF ..  
INDIANA.

VERY REV. CHANCELLOR DENIS O'DONAGHUE, of St. Patrick's church, Indianapolis.—Like an object of note on an eminence, or, in Scripture phrase, like a mountain upon the top of mountains, stands the very Rev. Denis O'Donaghue, Chancellor of the Diocese of Indianapolis. As a man of parts he is known to men of his calling and to men of other professions in all parts of the country. His fame, both professionally and personally, has preceded him everywhere, until to-day, in his fiftieth year, there are few ecclesiastics better or more favorably known in the east central states.

Unlike Napoleon, he is approachable and genial, and is daily called upon by many who wish to ask questions, or who desire to discuss topics theological, philosophical or historical. He is closely scrutinized and discussed by these callers, and the unanimous conclusion which the non-Catholic portion of them arrive at is, that the chancellor is an exception to the general run of "priests who wear horns."

Chancellor O'Donaghue does not wear horns, nor does he in his discussions or sermons take advantage of or exercise the razor-like cunning or intellectual jugglery miscalled "Jesuitism," which

the ignorant are led to believe is the stock in trade of all Catholic priests. On the contrary, he answers all questions relating to the church with a degree of candor and directness that both astonishes and instructs non-Catholics. The faith of the church, her decrees and practices, he justifies by reason and history, showing that the object and aim of such both appeal to and receive the sanction of all fair-minded persons.

It must not be inferred from the trend of this mention that Chancellor O'Donaghue is always a mild-mannered apologist for either the Catholic church or for any other cause which he undertakes to defend. Being logical, first of all, and matchless in his eloquence both in the pulpit and on the rostrum, he speaks as one having authority and as one enjoying an acquaintance with the truth. His majestic manhood and splendid bearing at once impress his auditors with the fact that he neither speaks nor acts as if by mere tolerance or sufferance, but rather as one with a mission and a commission. Having a duty to do, he has the will and the ability to perform it.

With nothing to hide and no one to fear except God; being free through the truth and fortified by varied and extensive knowledge, both secular and religious, he stands his six feet in splendid physical stature, and his more than head and shoulders above the average of his fellows intellectually. A tower of mental and moral strength; a general victoriously commanding his army; a shepherd faithfully caring for his flock; a sentinel upon the watch-towers of Israel;—such are the similes suggested by the status of this very remarkable man.

From a work entitled, "A History of Catholicity and Catholic Institutions in Indianapolis," by M. W. Carr, 1887, we extract the following:

Very Rev. D. O'Donaghue is a native of Indiana. He was born in Daviess county, November 30, 1848. His parents were from Ireland, and they did not fail to impress upon the youthful mind of the subject of this mention the many wrongs of that long-suffering country. He studied at St. Meinrad's, Ind.; St. Joseph's college, Ky., and graduated from the Sulpitian seminary, Montreal, Canada. He was ordained by Bishop de St. Palais, at Indianapolis, September 6, 1874. As a lecturer and orator he is very dis-



tinguished. He is noted as well for his witticisms as for his many labors since he became a priest. In recognition of his marked ability Bishop Chatard made him chancellor of the diocese.

The parish over which Chancellor O'Donaghue presides and in which he has been rector since 1885 is St. Patrick's, situated in the southeastern part of the Capital city. The congregation was organized in 1865 and was called St. Peter's. The ground for the church and the schools was donated, every foot of it, by Mrs. Phæbe Doherty, of Columbus, Ohio, a most excellent Catholic lady. It is after her family that the street upon which St. Patrick's church fronts has been named by the Indianapolis city council.

The first pastor of St. Patrick's was Rev. Joseph Petit. He was succeeded by Rev. P. R. Fitzpatrick, who built the present church and had the original name changed to that of St. Patrick's. The church was opened for services in 1871. In 1879 Rev. Patrick McDermott was appointed pastor. In 1882 he died and Rev. Hugh Oneil was placed in charge. In 1885, as above remarked, Chancellor O'Donaghue was appointed rector.

Both temporally and spiritually the congregation has prospered. Order is everywhere observed and the people feel, and of right, too, that they are about as well provided for as any other congregation in the state. On the other hand, with few exceptions, the people deserve the best, for they have always shown a good will. This order of reciprocal willingness and obligation appears to be an unwritten law in St. Patrick's.

**H**ERMAN AHAUS, one of the best-known grocers of Richmond, Ind., was born in Hanover, Germany, July 26, 1825, a son of Henry and Adelhart (Timpe) Ahaus. The father was born in the same province in 1800, and his wife in 1810, but the latter was called away in Germany, in 1839. The father came to America about 1849, landing in New York, but went thence to Cincinnati, where he was employed at general laboring for nine months, when

he was seized with cholera during the epidemic of 1850, and speedily passed away.

Herman Ahaus came to America in 1845, landed in New Orleans, and thence went directly to Cincinnati, where he found employment as a general laborer; he then farmed awhile, and then engaged in the grocery business. After a residence of about thirteen years in Cincinnati, or vicinity, he came to Richmond, Ind., arriving June 15, 1858, since which time he has been continuously engaged in the grocery trade, in connection with which, for some years, he operated a grist-mill at the corner of Elm and North Ninth streets.

The first marriage of Mr. Ahaus was celebrated in St. John's church, Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1848, when he was united with Miss Mary Seckman, who died in 1850, and was buried in St. Joseph's cemetery. His second marriage also took place in St. John's church, Cincinnati, in 1851, to Miss Mary Wulfhurst, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Father Siegemund. This union has been blessed with ten children, viz: Mary, deceased, and interred at Cincinnati; Lizzie, wife of Edward Fisher; Henry; Herman; Rosa, wife of Joseph Zeyen; Anna; Frederick, in Cincinnati; Josephine; Clara, wife of Paul Geier, and Joseph (deceased). The family are members of St. Andrew's congregation, and of the church Mr. Ahaus was formerly a trustee. His wife is a member of St. Ann's society, and in politics Mr. Ahaus is a democrat. The family are well deserving of the genuine esteem in which they are held.

STEPHEN ANDERSON, a well-known resident of St. Patrick's parish, Indianapolis, was born in Denmark May 16, 1852, and at the age of twenty-one years bade farewell to his parents and came to America. For some months he lived in Cleveland, Ohio, whence he came to Indianapolis. Here he became converted to Catholicity, having been instructed in the catechism of the holy faith by Rev. Father O'Donaghue, and by him baptized a short time prior to being united in the bonds of matrimony with Miss Mary Cahillane, which event was solemnized February 10, 1880.

#### CATHOLIC CHURCH OF INDIANA.

Mrs. Anderson is a daughter of John and Mary Cahillane, and was born February 2, 1852, in the parish of Keel, county Kerry, Ireland. There her father died, and subsequently her mother brought nine of her ten children to America—leaving her eldest daughter in the Emerald isle. Here the death of Mrs. Mary Cahillane took place September 11, 1896, she having been a devout Catholic through life. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Anderson has been blessed with three sons and three daughters, all of whom, save one, have been baptized in the holy Catholic faith by Rev. Father O'Donaghue. These children are named Anna A., Mary A., John S., Julia C., Stephen and Daniel R.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson have their home at No. 1623 Hoyt avenue, and are among the most respected of the residents of St. Patrick's parish, in which they have lived since July 16, 1881. Mr. Anderson was foreman for Tucker & Dorsey nine years prior to 1898. He is a republican in politics, and has always done his full duty as a good and useful citizen and as a contributor to the support of his parish church.

STEPHEN ARNOLD, contractor and builder, of No. 426 Church street, Vincennes, was born in Alsace, France, July 18, 1846, a son of Joseph and Sophia Arnold, both now deceased.

Stephen Arnold learned the cabinetmaker's trade in France, and at the age of about twenty years entered the French army, in which he served four years, taking part in the Franco-Prussian war and being seriously wounded. A brother-in-law sent him funds from America to come over and pass a year, but after his arrival here he determined to remain indefinitely. In 1873 he married, in Vincennes, Miss Mary Memoring, a native of Hanover, Germany, and a daughter of Casper Memoring. Mrs. Arnold and a sister came to America in their girlhood, their parents coming later, with the remainder of the family, and settled on a farm near Vincennes, where both the father and mother died some years ago. Of the ten children born to Joseph and Sophia Arnold, five are still living, viz: One sister in France; Joseph, a carpenter and coachmaker, of

Danville, Ill.; Mrs. Werker and Mrs. Nestahut, of Vincennes, and Stephen, the subject of this notice. To Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Arnold have also been born ten children, of whom five are living, viz: John, Kate, Frank, Herman and Alice. Of the deceased, Joseph died at the age of eighteen years; Sophia and Gerald died in childhood, and Lamence and Lawrence twins, died at the ages of four months and seven months, respectively. John Arnold, the eldest son, was educated at Jasper college, Ind., and is now a clerk in a drug store in Vincennes; Frank is an apprentice in his father's shop, and the other three children are attending school. The family worship at St. John's German Catholic church and Mr. Arnold is a member of branch No. 533, Catholic Knights of America, and also of the uniform rank. In politics he is a democrat. He has been very successful as a contractor, and during the building season employs six or seven men. He is a director in the German Fire Insurance company of Vincennes, is the owner of a neat dwelling, with his shop adjoining, and is an estimable and respected citizen.

**J**OHN F. AHERN, a trustee of the Church of the Assumption, is a native of Shelby county, Ky., where his birth occurred on the 12th of March, 1859. His parents were John and Catherine Ahern, both born in Ireland. They came to the United States before their marriage, which was solemnized in Kentucky about fifteen years after their arrival, and they afterward removed to Bartholomew county, Ind., where the father still lives, the mother being deceased. They were born Catholics, and the mother died in the hope of a glorious resurrection, while the father leads the life of a true son of the church. They were the parents of five children, all now deceased with the exception of the subject.

John F. Ahern remained under the parental roof until of sufficient age to enter upon an apprenticeship to the blacksmith trade, which, in due time, he thoroughly learned, and which he has since followed for his life work. He was married February 7, 1882, to Miss Annie Burke, a native of Indiana, and five children have

blessed the union, viz: James, Mary, Katie, John and Leo, of whom the last named died April 4, 1897.

Mr. Ahern and wife have been residents of Indianapolis since 1886, and of their present parish since the year 1890. They are earnest and sincere Catholics and have contributed not a little to the growth and development of the Assumption congregation and the several societies connected therewith. Mr. Ahern is highly esteemed as a citizen and stands high in the community in which he resides.

THE ARVIN FAMILY, so well known in Indiana, was founded in this state by Henry Arvin, a native of Maryland, of Irish parentage, and born November 7, 1787. He was married, January 1, 1810, to Theresa Montgomery, also a native of Maryland, born October 21, 1787, and in 1816 they removed to Kentucky, where Mr. Arvin engaged in planting until 1844, when they came to Indiana and settled on a farm in Reeve township, Daviess county, but where Mr. Arvin engaged in coopering and in other lines of business, being too corpulent for farm work, and in that county passed away June 18, 1860, his widow surviving until June 20, 1871, when she, too, was called to rest. There was born to them a large family, of whom seven sons and two daughters arrived at the years of maturity, viz: William, who was born June 11, 1811, and died in Petersburg, Ind., May 22, 1883; Thomas, born May 21, 1813, lived in Daviess county, and died December 23, 1875; Joseph and Mary (twins) born November 9, 1815, and supposed to be the oldest twins in the state, are both married—the former to Rosa Hayden, and the father of six children; the latter is the widow of George W. Arvin, and resides in Loogootee with a brother; Rosa, born February 18, 1818, married Martin Patterson, and died in Daviess county; Joshua O., born August 23, 1821, died in the same county January 11, 1889; Augustine, born February 1, 1824, resides in Martin county; George W., born January 26, 1826, died in Daviess county in 1897, and James and Kendrick, twins, were born January 31, 1828, and of these Kendrick died in infancy.

Augustine Arvin, mentioned in above enumeration as having

been born February 1, 1824, has been a farmer all his life, and now resides on his homestead of 153 acres in Martin county, Ind. He married Miss Rebecca Summers, a native of Martin county and daughter of Thomas S., and to this union have been born the following children: Thomas H., who married Anna Feagan, and has five children; William R., who married Rose Brothers, and also has five children; Pius A., who married Lucinda Clemments, and has eight children; Susan, who died in early life; Rose E., married to Harry Norris, and the mother of six children; George J., who married Emma Norris, and has three children; Augustine, who died in childhood, Joseph P., of whom further mention will be made, and Theressa, married to James Callahan, and the mother of six children.

Joseph P. Arvin, mentioned above as a son of Augustine and Rebecca (Summers) Arvin, was born February 8, 1863, was reared on the home farm and was well educated, as far as the public schools permitted. He remained at home until he attained his majority, and then, for a short time, worked as a barber; he next became clerk in a general store; which position he held seven years, and February 10, 1896, became manager of the poultry department of the extensive grocery establishment of Arthur Jordan, at Loogootee, a position he at the present fills to the entire satisfaction of his employer.

October 13, 1884, Mr. Arvin was united in marriage with Miss Anna F. Gates, daughter of Emanuel and Louisa (Davis) Gates, of Martin county. Emanuel Gates, who was a well-to-do farmer, is now deceased, and his widow, a native of Martin county, resides at present in Loogootee. To the congenial union of Mr. and Mrs. Arvin have been born five children, of whom three are still living, viz: Emanuel A., Cecile T., and Leo F. In religion the family have always been true Catholics, and Mr. Arvin is at present a trustee of St. John's church. Fraternally, he is a member of the Catholics Knights of America, and is the financial secretary of his branch of this order. In politics he is a democrat, is extremely popular with his party, and is a member of the public school board. As a business man he is sagacious and successful, being affable and of gentlemanly address, and very pleasing in his





Respectfully  
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ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH,  
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deportment. He owns a handsome home in Loogootee, which is the abode of complete domestic felicity, and where is dispensed a generous hospitality. His social standing is with the best, and no one is more respected than this worthy representative of the Avrin family.

REV. HERMAN ALERDING was born in Newport, Ky., April 13, 1845; he was ordained priest by Bishop de St. Palais, at St. Meinrad, September 22, 1868, and was the assistant of Father Chasse, at Terre Haute, until the fall of 1871, and then had charge at Cambridge City until the fall of 1874, when he was appointed to St. Joseph's church, Indianapolis, his present pastorate, and his able work here is related briefly in the sketch of his church, given elsewhere. While in charge at Cambridge City, he built a church at New Castle and another at Knightstown, which places he attended monthly. In his younger years he took active interest in temperance work, and delivered a number of lectures in various places; though these lectures did not all exclusively treat of temperance, but on a variety of subjects.

For the history of St. Joseph's church the publishers of the History of the Catholic Church of Indiana are indebted to the Rev. Herman Alerding, its present pastor, from whose valuable History of the Catholic church in the diocese of Vincennes much other of the information contained in this volume is also obtained. No effort will be made to expatiate the terse language of this reverend gentleman, nor will any attempt be made to estimate, much less to laud, his long and zealous labors in church work, but the publishers, nevertheless, acknowledge their obligation to him and his invaluable publication.

REV. ERNEST AUDRAN, a native of France, born October 8, 1823, and a descendant of a celebrated family of artists, renowned both as painters and engravers, is now rector of St. Augustine's church, at Jeffersonville, Ind., to which pastorate he

was appointed December 3, 1868. He had received a classical education in his native land at the Royal college of Rennes, and when sixteen years of age was brought to America by his relative, Bishop Hailandiere, who was on a visit from this country to France. Here he began his theological studies at the Vincennes seminary, and became the bishop's secretary before his ordination as priest. He was raised to the priesthood, by dispensation, April 16, 1846, at the age of twenty-two years and six months. May 8, following, he was appointed assistant pastor of the cathedral, but, at his own request, was sent to Logansport, where he remained six months. For twenty-three years thereafter he filled the onerous position of pastor of the cathedral at Vincennes, and December 3, 1868, was transferred to St. Augustine's church, at Jeffersonville, of which he is the present rector.

While in Vincennes, and not yet thirty years of age, he converted to the Catholic faith, the Rev. George Roberts, an Episcopalian minister of that city; also Mrs. Ewell and several of her children, the lady being the wife of the Episcopalian clergyman who succeeded the Rev. Roberts, and of her daughters one afterward became a Franciscan nun. Father Audran also brought back into the fold of the church a stray member of the flock, Hon. H. Cauthorn, editor of the Vincennes Sun, and was likewise instrumental in the conversion of several other prominent persons, as, for instance, the Hon. Henry Somes, who subsequently became mayor of the city; Charles Berkis, and H. Peck and wife. During the know-nothing excitement he pacified Mr. McClaugherty, editor of the Vincennes Courant, and quelled his antagonism to Catholicity.

During the Civil war, at a time when the excitement was at the highest, the Catholic Telegraph, which had at first discountenanced the course pursued by the republican party, denounced it, in fact, on being threatened, all at once changed sides and began advocating the persecution of the south with all the fervor of a new convert, surprising everybody. Suddenly, in its zeal, it went so far as to call the attention of the general government to priests who did not as suddenly change, and demanded its immediate action to bring them into line—really to lay hands on

them. This article looked like a premeditated act of treachery to the Catholic clergy, and, as a provincial council at Cincinnati was then at hand, Father Audran immediately read the article to Bishop de St. Palais, who was amazed, and instantly communicated his disapprobation of the article to Bishop Spalding, of Louisville. The two bishops united in warning the Metropolitan that they could not—would not—attend the council, and most of the other bishops did the same. In consequence, there was no council until three years later, and this was not held at Cincinnati, but at Detroit.

When Father Audran arrived in Jeffersonville he had in his possession \$70, the savings of twenty-three years of arduous work. So pressing, however, were the demands made by some of the creditors of St. Augustine's the congregation was in debt \$10,000., that he had to pay his money out almost immediately, so as to tide over difficulties. For a man to whom spiritualities are much more agreeable than temporalities, this beginning with \$10,000 less than nothing must have been very trying. **1475490**

In 1873 Father Audran visited his old friend and relative, Bishop Hailandiere, in France. He also visited Lourdes and the Eternal city, and for the first time met the rector of the American college at Rome, the present Rt. Rev. Bishop of Vincennes. Having been a priest in this diocese for forty-four years, he has witnessed the administrations of four bishops, and lived in intimate relations with three of them, and participated in the shaping of affairs of vital importance, not only to this diocese, but also to the Catholics of the United States. By tongue and pen, in French and English, he called forth the protests of Catholics everywhere against the spoliation of the Holy Father, and, strangely enough, became in the hands of Providence an instrument whereby the political emancipation of Catholics in the United States was brought about. To say the least, he was instrumental in the good work by an able article which he published in a local paper, defending Catholics against the unjust attacks of its editor, who had become a disciple of Ingersoll. At the time referred to (1879), Mr. Ingersoll was lecturing to thousands in Louisville, and the taint of his blasphemies spread over into Indiana. Following this, the opening of Catholic schools in Boston called forth an avalanche of abuse

from the sectarian press, with which the paper in question joined hands. Father Audran's article also caught the eye of Henry Watterson, editor of the *Courier-Journal*, and in two successive articles in his paper he completely and triumphantly disposed of infidelity and all unreasoning prejudice against Catholics. So far-reaching were the effects of these articles that Catholics began to come into prominence everywhere, and a better and fairer spirit seemed to be infused into not only political parties, but even into individuals heretofore prejudiced against everything pertaining to the Catholic church.

Father Audran, it will be seen, has been most devoted to the work of the church and has ever used his best energies in advancing its interests. His name as a clergyman stands at the head of the list in the diocese of Vincennes.

**R**UPERT AUER, a well-known business man of South Bend, Ind., was born in the parish of Theningen, Baden, Germany, May 2, 1850, and is a son of John and Anna (Rhodefelter) Auer.

John Auer was born in Baden in 1809, and his wife in 1811. John was educated in the parochial school of Theningen, was reared a farmer, and also learned weaving, and in the old country followed the combined callings for a livelihood. He was married in Baden in 1832, and to this union with Annie Rhodefelter were born twelve children, of whom seven are still living, viz: Charles, John, Jacob, Amelia, Sophia, Bertha and Rupert, the subject of this sketch. The mother of this family was laid to rest in her native parish of Theningen, Baden, in 1857; after her death the father continued his residence in Germany until 1880, when he came to the United States and joined his children in Fort Wayne, Ind., where he passed the remainder of his life, dying in the holy Catholic faith, January 19, 1892.

Rupert Auer was well educated in the parochial school of his native parish, which he attended until fifteen years of age, when he was apprenticed to a gunsmith. He followed this trade five years in Switzerland, and then returned to Germany for military duty

and served from January 10, 1870, until November 21, 1871, in the Prussian army, when he again went to Switzerland, where he remained until August 1, 1872. September 25, 1872, he sailed from Germany for the United States, landed in New York city October 14, of the same year, and reached Mishawaka, Ind., October 17. He there secured employment in the wagon works, and held his position until the spring of 1873, when he went to Notre Dame college and worked for three months. Thence he went to Fort Wayne, where he was employed in slate roofing for nine years, and during this interim was married to Miss Agnes Faulner, at St. Peter's church, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Father Wemhoff. The seven daughters and one son that have blessed this union are now being educated in St. Mary's parochial school, South Bend, Mr. Auer, on account of his wife's health, having come here to reside in 1882. Here Mr. Auer at once entered into the manufacture of soda and other mineral waters, which he conducted until October, 1888, when he opened a first-class public resort, which he still conducts.

Mr. Auer and family are members of St. Mary's congregation, and Mr. Auer is a trustee of the church; he is also a member of the South Bend branch of the Catholic Knights of America, and in everything that pertains to the welfare of his church he takes an active part and aids it with a liberal hand. He is a genial, whole-souled gentleman, and counts his friends by the score.

JOSEPH BAEHNER, a well-known business man of Connersville, Ind., was born in Cologne, Rhenish Prussia, December 8, 1859, a son of Charles J. and Helen (Voss) Baehner. The father followed the trade of shoemaking and died in Cologne in 1894, and there the mother still resides.

Joseph Baehner, the seventh born of a family of twelve boys and two girls, was educated in the parochial schools of his native city, which he attended until fifteen years of age, when he began learning the tailor's trade, which he followed in Cologne until 1883, when he came to the United States and for a year worked at his

calling in Cincinnati, Ohio. September 27, 1884, he came to Connersville and worked as a journeyman until December, 1895, when he opened a public place of resort and has since been doing a thriving business.

Mr. Baehner was united in marriage, in Connersville, July 11, 1889, with Miss Barbara Herkert, who was born in this town December 12, 1861, a daughter of Joseph and Margaret (Michaels) Herkert, and this union has been blessed with three children, viz: Mary, Francis and George—the last named being deceased. Mr. Baehner has been trustee and member of the Catholic Knights of America and of St. Joseph's society, and is held in high esteem by his friends and acquaintances. He owns a pleasant home at No. 119 Grand avenue, and is very liberal in his contributions toward the support of both school and church.

REV. JOACHIM BAKER, of St. Mary's church, Alexandria, Madison county, was born in Fort Wayne, Ind., March 7, 1863, a son of Jacob and Agatha (Meyer) Baker, natives, respectively, of Hesse-Darmstadt and Baden, Germany, but who were married in Fort Wayne, where the father was engaged in saw-milling.

Rev. J. Baker, the sixth of a family of nine children, received his preliminary education in St. Mary's parochial school at Fort Wayne and at the Cathedral school. In 1879 he entered St. Lawrence college at Mount Calvary, Wis., where he pursued his classical studies for four years, and then entered St. Francis seminary, Wis., from which he graduated in 1884; he then studied philosophy and theology in the same seminary, was ordained deacon March 17, 1888, and June 29, 1888, was ordained priest by Bishop Dwenger for the diocese of Fort Wayne. He was assigned as the first resident pastor of the church of the Immaculate Conception, Portland, Jay county, which had heretofore been attended by visiting clergymen from Fort Recovery, Ohio, and there he officiated from July 27, 1889, until May 23, 1891, when he was transferred to St. Anthony's, in Benton county, where he did most excellent work, and also attended the Goodland mission until January 9, 1896, when he came to Alexandria to assume charge of the congre-



gation which later became known as St. Mary's. Until December, 1896, he had held services in Tammany hall, and then took possession of the present church, the foundation of which was laid during the panic of 1893, but on which no further work was done until the arrival of Father Baker.

Father Balthazar Biegel, of Elwood, had attended to the spiritual needs of the Catholics at Alexandria from 1892 until 1896, and when Father Baker came the congregation consisted of sixty families, or about 300 souls. Father Baker at once set himself energetically to work, and with praiseworthy zeal accomplished the task of completing the church edifice. It is 65 x 55 feet in its ground plan, and has, under the same roof, three rooms for school purposes, has a seating capacity of 300, and cost \$9,500. The church was dedicated by Bishop Rademacher September 19, 1897. The pupils attending the school in the fall of 1897 numbered sixty, but the attendance now reaches 130, who are under the instruction of four sisters of Notre Dame. Father Baker well deserves the deep love that is felt for him by his congregation, for he has certainly labored with great assiduity in its behalf.

**J**OHAN FREDERICK BAKER, proprietor of the Grand hotel, Vincennes, is a native of this city, was born March 4, 1869, and is a son of James Edgar and Nancy Louise (Graeter) Baker, the former of whom was a native of Bedford county, Ind., and was a son of Judge John Baker, for many years circuit judge of Knox county. Mrs. Nancy Louise Baker was born in Vincennes, and the Grand hotel is inherited from her father, Frederick Graeter.

John F. Baker is the elder of two children, his brother, James Edgar, Jr., being an accountant for a railway company in Illinois. John F. received a classical education, in preparation for the Catholic ministry, and is well trained in Greek, Latin, French, Spanish and English. From 1884 until 1888 he was a sailor in the merchant marine service, made three trips around the world, and later located in Rosaria del Santa Fe, in the Argentine republic, where he was for a year second in command of the naval reserve,

and returned home in the fall of 1889, but soon afterward shipped at Boston, Mass., as sailmaker's mate in the United States navy, cruised all the waters on the globe, particularly the Chinese seas, and at the end of three years was honorably discharged at Mare Island navy-yard, San Francisco. On his return eastwardly, at Kansas City, Mo., he met his father and brother, and there also formed the acquaintance of Miss Anna Marguerite Beshier, whom he married June 1, 1892. After passing two years in Kansas City in the paint and wall-paper business, he took a two-year course in polytechnic study with the Westinghouse company, and qualified himself as inspector of air-brakes, securing a lucrative position on a Mexican railroad; but the climate of that country did not agree with his wife's health, and he went to Fort Worth, Tex., where he became air-brake inspector for the associated roads, eight in number, centering at that point. A year and a half later he was transferred to St. Louis, Mo., where he filled a similar position in the Missouri Pacific shops until April, 1896, when he returned to his native city, after an absence of twenty years, and assumed charge of the Grand hotel December 1, 1896. This popular hostelry is conveniently located and is superbly fitted up for the accommodation of the traveling public; its half-hundred guest-rooms are tastily furnished, are steam heated, and lighted by electricity. The dining-room service is strictly first-class and the menu beyond reproach, and Mr. Baker has already won a reputation as one "who can keep a hotel."

In politics Mr. Baker is a democrat, inheriting his proclivities from his father, who was the democratic surveyor of Knox county fourteen years and deputy auditor of state four years. Fraternally, the son is a member of Royal lodge, No. 233, K. of P., of St. Louis, Mo., and of Spring Palace lodge, No. 130, A. O. U. W. The family are members of St. Francis Xavier Cathedral congregation, and, being descendants of two of the oldest families of Vincennes, stand very high in social circles.

James Edgar Baker, Jr., brother of John Frederick, is united in marriage with Miss Mary Elizabeth Menaghan, a native of Youngstown, Ohio, and to their union has been born one daughter, Marguerite Nancy.





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**R**T. REV. AUGUST BESSONIES, V. G., of the diocese of Vincennes, was born at Alzac, department du Lot, France, on June 17, 1815. His first studies were at the Petit seminary of Montfaucon; thence he went to the seminary of Isse, near Paris, to study the classics and natural philosophy. While there Bishop Bruté, first bishop of Vincennes, paid a visit to Isse, and although August Bessonies had already been received by the Lazarists for the foreign missions, by the advice of the celebrated Father Pinault, his director, he offered his services to Right Rev. Bishop Bruté, for his diocese of Vincennes. The saintly prelate was pleased, and, stretching his arms around his neck, said: "I am happy at the project of seeing a new altar raised in my dear Indiana. But," said he, "I have no seminary at Vincennes; stay at St. Sulpice for three years, until 1839, and then I will send for you." So he did, and August Bessonies was at Havre, ready to embark in a sailing vessel, when he received the sad news of the good bishop's death. He arrived at Vincennes October 21, 1839. He was then a deacon, too young to be ordained, but on the 22d day of February, 1840, Bishop de la Hailandiere, successor of Bishop Bruté, ordained him a priest, and sent him to the forests of Perry county, although he had expressed a desire to be sent among the Indians, near the town of Logansport. He spent twelve years in his first mission in Perry county, founded the town of Leopold, of which he became postmaster under James K. Polk, and built seven churches; two of stone—one at Cannelton and one at Derby—the others of log.

When Bishop de la Hailandiere resigned, and Bishop Bazin was appointed, he refused to be vicar-general. After six months, Bishop Bazin died and M. de St. Palais succeeded him. He went to France in 1852, and at his return he was sent to Fort Wayne, where he remained only about a year, Father Benoit, former pastor, returning from New Orleans. He was then sent to Jeffersonville and given charge of the church at the Knobs, and a number of other missions. After four years spent there, he was sent by Bishop de St. Palais to Indianapolis, where he arrived on the 5th day of November, 1857. His first work was to build a house for the Sisters of Providence, who came soon to open a school. There

was then only a small brick church in the city, used by the Irish at eight o'clock, by the Germans at nine o'clock, and again by the Irish at ten o'clock. The next thing was to build a pastor's residence; when that was completed a school-house was erected for the boys, and after many efforts he obtained the Brothers of the Sacred Heart to take charge of it. St. Mary's German church had been built, and opened for services August 15, 1858. The new St. John's was commenced in 1866, and opened in 1871. There was yet a debt of \$6,000 on the boys' school, and the right reverend bishop wanted a church costing \$200,000. He subscribed himself \$10,000, but the pastor, Rev. August Bessonies, objected, and said that he could not risk more than \$60,000. The bishop agreed, and the church was commenced, but plans were changed, and the sum raised to \$100,000. The pastor objected, and Rev. J. Q. Fitzpatrick was given charge of the building, but he collected only about \$0,000 and left to build St. Patrick's church, to replace St. Peter's church, already built by August Bessonies, who had to take charge of the new building of St. John's church, which cost over \$100,000. Money had to be borrowed, some at eight per cent. When the Very Rev. D. O'Donaghue took charge, there was a debt of \$31,000, including interest, and it had been reduced to about \$7,000, when the Rev. Father Gavisk completed the church, now one of the finest in the state.

In 1873 August Bessonies succeeded in procuring the Sisters of the Good Shepherd, and also the Little Sisters of the Poor. They commenced in poverty, and it required a great effort to keep them up, especially the Sisters of the Poor Shepherd, but, thanks be to God, they are now doing well, the Sisters of the Poor having 100 inmates and the Sisters of the Good Shepherd over 500. In 1872 Very Rev. Father Corby, vicar-general and chaplain of the Sisters of Providence at St. Mary's of the Woods, died, and August Bessonies was appointed vicar-general by Right Rev. Maurice de St. Palais. At the death of Bishop de St. Palais, June 28, 1877, August Bessonies was appointed administrator by Most Rev. J. B. Purcell, archbishop of Cincinnati, and when the new bishop, F. S. Chatard, D. D., was appointed bishop of Vincennes, in 1878, the administrator was appointed vicar-general.

The new bishop asked the pope, Leo XIII., to appoint August Bessonies as Roman prelate, and this was done on the 22d day of January, 1884. In that quality he was invited to assist at the council of Baltimore. Although advanced in age, he remained pastor of St. John until Right Rev. F. S. Chatard, D. D., started the new parish of SS. Peter and Paul's, and in 1892 took him with him to the new parish, in which he is still working, all he can, at the age of eighty-three years and a few months. At the time of his golden jubilee, in 1890, the people of Indianapolis, Catholics and Protestants, offered him a purse of over \$3,000, and Archbishop Elder did him the honor to attend. He had crossed the ocean fifteen times, and says that, if God spares him so long, he may cross it again in 1900, with many of his friends of Indianapolis, to visit the world's exposition at Paris, and his numerous nephews, grandnephews and great-grandnephews, to the number of over fifty.

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JOHN ADAMS, a well-known business man of Madison, Jefferson county, Ind., was born in this city March 4, 1846, and is a son of Peter and Margaret (Krein) Adams, natives of Rhein Prussia, who came to the United States early in life, and were later followed by John Adams, a half-brother of Peter, and these were the only members of the respective families to come to America. John Adams, the half-brother of Peter, being now a resident of Jeffersonville, Clark county, Ind.

Peter Adams was born about 1810, was a stonecutter by trade, and for three years served in the Prussian army. He came to America in company with a Dr. Kremer, who settled in Saint Magdalene, Ripley county, Ind.; but Mr. Adams at once came to Madison, which was then a new town, and here found plenty of work at his trade. Here he prospered, and had just built for himself a comfortable residence, when he was stricken with cholera and died July 12, 1849, leaving his widow with three children, two of whom died within one week after the death of the father. In 1852 the widow was married to Joseph Irvey, a native of

France, who died June 12, 1874, and her own death took place, in Madison, January 6, 1892, at the age of seventy-two years.

John Adams, the subject proper of this memoir, was educated in the public and parochial schools of his native city, and at the age of fifteen years was apprenticed to the tinner's trade. In 1869 he engaged in business on his own account, opening a tin and stove store, to which he subsequently added a trade in hardware and agricultural implements. By his attention to business, his skill and obliging disposition, he has thriven, and now owns his business place and residence.

**T**HOMAS ADELSPERGER, a highly respected citizen of South Bend, Ind., and an ex-soldier of the Civil war, was born in Frederick county, Md., June 12, 1842, a son of William Joseph and Anna Mary (Obold) Adelsperger, natives of Carroll county, Md., both of German extraction.

William Joseph Adelsperger, who was born April 4, 1820, was reared a farmer and followed that calling in his native state until 1848, when he came to Indiana and bought a farm nine miles southeast of Fort Wayne, Allen county, on which he resided until 1852, when he removed to Adams county and was employed in the Fornax mill at Decatur for two years, and then was engaged in general merchandizing with J. & P. Crabbs until 1858, when he was elected, on the democratic ticket, county recorder of Adams county, served two terms, and in 1866 purchased a farm in St. Mary's township, on which he resided several years, and then returned to Decatur and engaged in the grocery trade until 1887, when he retired to private life.

The marriage of William J. Adelsperger took place in Carroll county, Md., November 17, 1840, to Miss Anna Mary Obold, the result of the union being twelve children, of whom eight, beside Thomas, are still living, viz: William, of Toledo, Ohio; Joseph, of Saybrook, Ill.; Henry, of Notre Dame, Ind.; John, assistant pastor at the cathedral of Covington, Ky.; George; Louisa; Jane Mary Ellen and Julia, the latter now Sister M. Waltrude, order of the Holy Cross. The mother of this family was called away, in



the faith of the Catholic church, in February, 1876, and the father, December 23, 1890, and their remains now lie side by side in the Catholic cemetery in Decatur.

Thomas Adelsperger was educated in the district school, Allen county, Ind., at Hesse Cassel parochial school, in the same county, and the parochial and public schools in Decatur, Ind., till he was fifteen years of age, when, in 1857, he was apprenticed to the printer's trade in the office of the Decatur Eagle. In the spring of 1860, he bought a half interest in this newspaper plant, but later went to Fort Wayne and engaged in job and book printing with F. L. Furste. The Civil war having broken out and being well under way as an internecine struggle of indefinite duration, Mr. Adelsperger enlisted in company H, Eighty-ninth Indiana volunteer infantry, August 2, 1862, under Capt. A. J. Hill, and served until August 9, 1865—the termination of his term of enlistment for three years. He was engaged in many severe engagements and skirmishes, was taken prisoner at Munfordville, Ky., September 14, 1862, but was paroled, and was wounded in the battle of Tupelo, Miss., July 14, 1864, and these were his only mishaps. For meritorious conduct he was promoted from private to sergeant-major April 10, 1863, and to adjutant September 14, 1864, receiving an honorable discharge at the date mentioned above.

Returning to Decatur after being mustered out of the army, Mr. Adelsperger engaged in the drug business, under the firm-name of Bollman & Adelsperger, until the spring of 1866, when he was selected by his father as deputy county recorder and served until the official close of the term. He then returned to the Eagle office, remained there until 1869, when he went to Laporte, Ind., and engaged in the drug business until 1872, when he became a traveling salesman for Bliss & Torrey, of Chicago, Ill., for whom he handled druggists' sundries for three years. July 1, 1875, he became agent for Hord, Owen & Co., of Chicago, and for twenty-three years has been their trusted salesman in northwestern Indiana and eastern Illinois.

Mr. Adelsperger was united in marriage May 19, 1865, by Right Rev. Bishop Luers, at Fort Wayne, to Miss Helen Frances Hill, the union being blessed with six children, viz: Francis J.,

Richard W., and Christopher B., now deceased, and Edward R., Eva C. and Lucy, all of whom have been well educated—Edward R., now an architect, having attended Notre Dame college from 1885 until 1890, graduating in the latter year, and Eva C. graduating from St. Mary's academy in 1892; Lucy, after attending St. Joseph and St. Mary's academies a number of years, graduated from the South Bend high school in 1897. In 1880, Mr. Adelsperger came from Laporte to South Bend, which is now his permanent home. He is an honest, conscientious gentleman, and when he relinquished his business in Laporte was heavily in debt, but he has since liquidated every obligation, in full. He and family are true Catholics, his parents having been pioneers in this faith in Adams county, and he is among the foremost in aiding his church in all its good work.

**K**ILIAN BAKER, proprietor of a saw-mill at Fort Wayne, Ind., and prominent as a manufacturer of lumber, was born in Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, December 15, 1830, and is a son of George and Catherine (Bashinger) Baker, who came to the United States in 1835, bringing their family of eight children. They landed in New York city, whence they went to Pittsburg, Pa. The father, who was born April 14, 1790, learned his trade, wagon-maker, in Germany, and after coming to the United States followed it for three years in Pittsburg. In 1836, however, the father had come to Allen county, Ind., and had entered a tract of land in Cedar Creek township, and in 1838 came here to reside permanently—Fort Wayne being then a town of 400 inhabitants. He followed his trade until 1848, when he erected a saw-mill, which he conducted in partnership with his sons, John, Jacob, Henry and Kilian. Two years later the father and son John sold their interest in the mill to Jacob, Henry and Kilian, his wife having died in 1850. Henry retired from the business in 1867, the father died in 1870, and Jacob withdrew in 1878, leaving Kilian the sole proprietor, the latter having been twenty-two years of age when he was admitted to a partnership with his father and brothers in the mill which he still operates.

## CATHOLIC CHURCH OF INDIANA.

Kilian Baker was educated in the parochial schools of Fort Wayne, and in 1859 married Miss Anna Daugherty, who was born in Arcola, Allen county, Ind., in 1840, of Irish parentage. This marriage has been blessed with eleven children, of whom nine are still living, viz: John G., Frank J., Mary A., Agnes C., Marguerite G., Rosella, Catherine (now a Sister of Providence), Alfred K. and Grace A.—all devout Catholics. The necrology of Mr. Baker's brothers and sisters may be summed up as follows: John died February 19, 1897; Jacob, August 29, 1896; Magdalene, January 1, 1879; Conrad, in April, 1890, and Henry, October 26, 1872. A sister, Elizabeth, is the widow of John B. Bequeet. In politics Mr. Baker is a democrat, but seldom meddles with party affairs, being contented with the management of his mill, which now turns out 10,000 feet of sawed lumber per day. He has been very successful in his management of this industry, stands high as a business man, being recognized as one of the most enterprising in the county, and socially he and his family stand with the best people of the city of Fort Wayne.

REV. SIMON BARBER, chaplain of the convent of the Benedictine nuns, Ferdinand, Ind., was born in Louisville, Ky., February 14, 1862, and was baptized in St. Patrick's Catholic church, Thirteenth and Market streets, of the same city. As early as 1872, he entered the college of St. Meinrad, conducted by the Benedictine Fathers of the abbey of St. Meinrad, Ind. At the age of seventeen years he devoted his life to the service of God by taking the habit as a monk of St. Benedict, and in 1885 he was ordained to the holy priesthood. His first church was at Ferdinand, Ind., where he served as assistant pastor. He subsequently had charge of St. Mary's church, Portsmouth, Ohio, St. Henry's church, New Orleans, La., and St. Michael's church at Laramie, in the diocese of Cincinnati. On June 18, 1891, he went to Tell City, Ind., and assumed the charge of St. Paul's church.

The history of St. Paul's church, Tell City, Ind., dates from the time when the town was yet in its earliest stage of develop-

ment—a time when affairs of the material world were considered of greater importance, among some of the struggling settlers, than those pertaining to things religious and spiritual, but Rev. Father Barber's pastorate was marked by a zealous and devoted care for the spiritual and temporal welfare of his people, and, during his incumbency, the church made great strides, acquired property of considerable value, and increased the membership to 900. Father Barber is a gentleman of winning presence, courteous demeanor, and scholarly attainments, and enjoys the esteem not only of the Catholic but of the Protestant residents of the city as well.

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VERY REV. MATTHEW ELEVART CAMPION, irremovable rector of St. Vincent de Paul church, at Logansport, Ind., and one of the most eminent and devoted clergymen of the diocese of Fort Wayne, was born in Kilkenny, Ireland, November 9, 1844, and when not a year old was brought to this country by his parents.

After spending a few years of childhood in Quebec, Canada, and Burlington, Vt., he came to the then distant west, and on Christmas eve, 1850, began his early life's home in Michigan City, Ind. On the 28th of August, 1860, he entered the university of Notre Dame, where he graduated in 1865, receiving the degree of A. B., becoming a member of the faculty of the university, filling the Greek and Latin chair for three years, and receiving at the end of this time the A. M. degree. In the fall of 1867 he went to St. Francis seminary, Milwaukee, to complete his theological course, under the late illustrious Archbishop Heiss. On the 14th of January, 1868, he was ordained priest by Rt. Rev. Bishop Luers, assisted by Very Rev. J. Benoit, V. G., and Rev. F. H. Lawler, being the first priest ordained in the new diocese of Fort Wayne after that diocese was separated from the Vincennes diocese. On the 24th of January, 1868, he was assigned to his first clerical duty as assistant to Rev. B. J. Force, Logansport, Ind., pastor of St. Vincent de Paul church, which then contained all the Catholics in Logansport, remaining in this position until April 9th, of the same year, when, on the death of the reverend pastor, he became





Yours truly  
M. E. Campion.



ST. VINCENT DePAUL CHURCH.  
LOGANSFORT, IND.





pastor pro tem. On August 9th, of the same year, he was appointed pastor at Lagro, Ind.

During his pastorship at Lagro Father Campion built a beautiful brick church for the congregation, changed the old church into an elegant society hall, and also completed the interior of the church at Wabash, Ind. After remaining in Lagro for five years he was transferred to the cathedral at Fort Wayne, where he remained until 1875, when he was appointed pastor of St. Joseph's church at Delphi; then, after a month's stay and on the death of Rev. George A. Hamilton, he succeeded him as pastor at St. Mary's, Lafayette, Ind., taking charge May 9, 1875. He reduced the large church debt several thousand dollars and spent several thousand dollars in beautifying St. Mary's cemetery. After five years of hard work and with health broken, he resigned his charge of St. Mary's. In June, 1880, he took charge of St. Peter's parish, Laporte, Ind., and during his stay there he erected a beautiful parochial residence.

At the end of three years, on June 9, 1883, Father Campion was appointed pastor of St. Vincent de Paul church, Logansport, to be again among the people who had cherished a fond remembrance of the first years of his priesthood. Here, within twelve years, he not only paid off every dollar of indebtedness of St. Vincent de Paul church, but also introduced steam heating at a cost of \$1,100, placed one of the largest bells in the west in the steeple of the church, while in the year 1888 he enlarged and remodeled the edifice at a cost of \$10,000, and to-day it is acknowledged that St. Vincent de Paul church, for interior beauty and elegance, is not second to any church in Indiana.

In 1883, also, he was appointed dean of the Logansport conference, second theological district. In 1887 he was made irremovable rector of St. Vincent de Paul church, Logansport. In 1887, also, he was appointed a diocesan consultor, and on the same date received the appointment of examiner synodalis. For fourteen years he held the office of secretary of the Clerical Benevolent association of the diocese. He is a member of the diocesan board and was secretary of the committee on diocesan educational exhibit at the world's fair in 1893.

Very Rev. Father Campion is a practical total abstainer, and has three large total abstinence societies connected with his congregation. He was elected first vice-president of the Indiana union two terms. At the annual conventions of the State union he is always a faithful and energetic worker, and is known throughout the state as the Father Mathew of Northern Indiana. The success of the Logansport convention and the entertainment and hospitality extended to the delegates and visitors are due to his untiring work and zeal in the noble cause in which he always manifests so much interest.

Father Campion is held in the highest esteem by the bishop and clergy, and in Logansport, as well as throughout the state, by Catholics and non-Catholics alike, for his many noble qualities of mind and heart, as he is one of the most generous and manly of men, and his untiring labors in the cause of Christianity have endeared him to his congregation, and aroused in others an admiration seldom enjoyed by members of the Catholic clergy outside the pale of the church. Broad-minded, charitable, erudite and devout, he well deserves this high regard, and the great aid given by him to the cause of temperance, and his late utterances of patriotism, evoked by the efforts of the United States government to release Cuba from the thralldom of Spain, have added additional luster to his already illustrious name.

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JOHN F. BARRETT, an employee of the Belt shops, Indianapolis, is a native of Indiana, born in the town of St. Paul, on the third day of November, 1871, a son of Edward and Mary (Donaghue) Barrett. These parents were born in Ireland, married in St. Paul, Ind., and had a family of three children, viz: Martin, a pipe fitter of Indianapolis; Rose, at home with her mother, and John F., the subject, who is the second in order of birth. None of these children are married, all of them living together under the parental roof; the father died November 8, 1876, in middle life. The mother, by a former marriage, had one son, Michael Kelly, who is in the bakery business in Indianapolis.

John F. Barrett received his education in the public schools and the Brothers' school of Indianapolis, and, while still a mere youth, learned the boilermaker's trade. He worked for five years with the firm under whom he learned the trade, after which he was employed for some time in other shops, and in 1894 accepted a position in the Belt shops, where he has since remained. Mr. Barrett is a young man of fine qualities, a master of his calling, and a courteous gentleman—numbering his friends by the score in Indianapolis. He was reared a Catholic, to which faith he has ever proved loyal, and with the rest of his mother's family belongs to St. John's church. He is a member of the Y. M. I., and is independent in politics.

REV. EDWARD F. BARRETT, pastor of All Saints church, at Hammond, Lake county, Ind., was born in Rutland, Vt., December 22, 1870, but received his primary education in a parochial school of New York city, which he attended until ten years of age; later attended the LaSalle institute for two years, and from 1882 until 1895 the Canada Assumption college, where he was ordained priest July 14, 1895, by Right Rev. Bishop Elphege Gravel. He then came to Fort Wayne, Ind., and was appointed assistant pastor of St. Patrick's church, in that city, by Bishop Rademacher, which position he held until appointed to his present charge, rendering efficient service in the meanwhile. All Saints church was organized January 19, 1896, by Rev. John Cook, with about sixty-seven families, over which he had the spiritual cure until February 28, 1897, when he was succeeded by Rev. Father Barrett. During the short time the latter has been the incumbent of the pastorate of this young parish, the congregation has increased in membership to 132 families; a new parsonage, one of the finest in the diocese, has been erected at a cost of \$5,000; a new school building has also been erected, which is in charge of three Sisters of Providence, and is attended by 122 pupils, and many other changes and improvements have been effected through the energy of the young and enterprising pastor, who has already done a great work in advancing the cause of Catholicity at Hammond. The church

property comprises 350 feet front on Sibley street, with a depth of 164 feet, being situated on one of the best thoroughfares of the embryo city.

MICHAEL BATH, the well-known dealer in groceries at Tipton, Ind., was born in Franklin county August 18, 1848, a son of Simon and Margaret (Geis) Bath, the former a native of Alsace, France, and the latter of Germany.

Simon Bath was a lad of twelve years of age when brought to the United States by his parents, who settled in Franklin county, Ind. They had a family of seven children, beside Simon, viz: Nicholas, George, John, David, Godfried, Elizabeth and Mary. For eight years Simon followed steamboating on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, of which period he was for four years head steward. He then bought eighty acres of land and settled down to farming. His wife was also a child when brought to America, and was reared in Franklin county, where her marriage took place. Mr. Bath died at sixty-seven years of age, in May, 1887, and Mrs. Bath died October 1, 1895, at the age of seventy-five years. They had a family of seven children, of whom five grew to maturity, viz: Michael, the subject; George W., of Frankfort, Ind.; Mary, of Brookville, Ind.; Simon Michael, of Sacramento, Cal., and Lizzie, wife of Martin Webber, of Brookville, Ind.

Michael Bath passed his early boyhood days on his father's farm and in attendance at the parochial and public schools, which, in those days, were of a very indifferent character. At the age of sixteen years he left his home and went to Cincinnati, Ohio, and to other places, working at various employments until nineteen years old, when he began learning the trade of stonecutting, at which he worked for thirteen years in Brookville; he then removed to Kokomo, in March, 1880, and for five years farmed on rented land; he next came to Tipton and opened his present store February 1, 1885, and for one year has also been connected with a firm of agricultural implement dealers.

February 10, 1874, Mr. Bath was united in marriage with Miss Amelia Kiefer, a native of Franklin county, born September

21, 1851, a daughter of Dominic and Caroline Kiefer, and this union has been blessed with four children, viz: William H., who died in infancy; Edith, Magdalena and Julius W. The family belong to St. John the Baptist congregation, and Mr. Bath is one of the church trustees; he is also a member of St. John's Benevolent association, and of the C. B. L. He was one of the organizers of the Tipton Building & Loan association, of which he still is a director, and is also a director in the Tipton county Fair association.

Mr. Bath is a sound democrat and takes an active interest in local politics. In 1896 he was his party's candidate for the office of city treasurer and was elected by a good round majority, but his election was declared illegal, on account of some informality in the election call. Mr. Bath has acquired a competence through his individual industry and good management, never having received a dollar from any source save in payment for his labor or through the channels of legitimate trade. He came to Tipton with quite limited means, but now owns his business property, as well as his residence and city lots in Tipton, and farming lands in Colorado. He is regular in his church attendance, is generous in his contributions to the support of the church, and bears a business name without spot or blemish.

**W** BARTOSZEK, the well-known butcher of South Bend, Ind., was born in Netrtal, Wirsitz-Regirungs, Bezirk, Bromberg, Poland, January 4, 1858, and is a son of Ignatz and Anieta Bartoszek, the former of whom was born in 1829, and the latter in 1833. The father was a farmer by occupation in his active years, but now makes his home with his son, the subject of this sketch, who filially cares for him in his advanced years.

W. Bartoszek was educated in the parochial schools of his native land, which he attended until fifteen years of age, and was then apprenticed to a butcher. Having followed this calling in the old country until about 1880, he came to the United States, landing in Baltimore, Md., where he followed his vocation one year,

and then came to South Bend and opened a meat market, in which he has met with abundant success, enjoying a lucrative trade, which is constantly increasing. February 23, 1886, he was united in marriage, by the Rev. Father Czyzewski, with Miss S. Sisiecki, and this union has been blessed with seven children, of whom five are still living. The family are members of the St. Hedwig congregation of the Polish Catholic church, of which Mr. Bartoszek is a trustee, and he is also a member of St. Casimir sodality, attached to the church mentioned. Both he and wife are very active and prominent in church affairs and are very liberal in their contributions to St. Hedwig. Mr. Bartoszek has accumulated considerable property and has attained a very exalted position in the esteem of the citizens of South Bend, especially standing well with his own countrymen, with whom he is an unusually prime favorite.

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REV. JOSEPH T. BAUER, pastor of St. Patrick's church, at Clinton, Vermillion county, Ind., was born in Evansville, August 10, 1865, a son of Peter and Catherine Bauer, also natives of that city. His early education was acquired at Trinity school, Evansville, which he attended from the age of six until fourteen years, and next entered the college and seminary of St. Meinrad, in Spencer county, from which he graduated in 1889, and was ordained priest May 29, of the same year. The same year he was assigned to Rockville, and in 1891 built a neat and substantial priest's residence. He has also extended his usefulness by erecting church-edifices in Fontanet (Vigo county), Rosedale, Coxville and Clinton. In September, 1897, Father Bauer removed to Clinton, Vermillion county, and still has charge of all the missions, excepting that of Fontanet, Vigo county.

Father Bauer is a most zealous worker in the cause of the church, and is a devout and highly esteemed pastor. The cause of temperance has found in him an earnest advocate, and many of his flock bless his name to-day for his strenuous exertions in suppressing the evils of intemperance in the use of ardent spirits especially. Through his generosity, genial disposition, pious

enthusiasm and indefatigable labor in behalf of his parishioners he has made many friends, regardless of creed, and stands to-day a true exemplar of Christianity and the Catholic faith, and his labors in this cause are not yet ended.

REV. JOHN H. BATHE, recently pastor of St. Bernard's church at Wabash, Ind., was born in the province of Westphalia, Germany, May 20, 1854, a son of John H. and Theresia (Sandbote) Bathe, and attended the parochial school of his district until thirteen years of age. He was subsequently prepared in a higher course by private tuition, and in 1870 entered Paderborn gymnasium, where he finished his studies of the classics in 1872. He then passed a year at the Diocesan academy in the study of philosophy and theology, and next attended the Royal academy at Muenster for a year and a half. In the spring of 1875 he came to America and finished his theological studies at St. Francis seminary, Milwaukee, Wis., was ordained priest at Fort Wayne, Ind., by Bishop Dwenger, February 16, 1877, and was first assigned to the pastorate at Schererville, Lake county, where he held charge until August, and then officiated at Klaasville until December 30, 1881, when he was placed in charge of St. Bernard's congregation at Wabash, where he did good, faithful and zealous work until May 16, 1898, when he was transferred to the very responsible pastorate of St. Paul's, Valparaiso, Porter county. On account of poor health, however, he had to resign his place and left Valparaiso on July 26, 1898, in an effort to recuperate.

FRANK A. BAUER, a respected young business man of Connersville, was born in Ripley county, Ind., February 12, 1867, a son of Felix and Susan (Messersmit) Bauer. He was educated in the parochial school of Shelbyville, whence he went to Logansport and engaged in brickmaking, assisting in making the brick used in the construction of St. Joseph (German) Catholic church-

edifice of that city. In 1886, he, with a brother, opened a sample room, with which he was connected until October, 1896, when he came to Connersville and bought his present business, as he had already married in this town, September 25, 1895, Miss Carrie Doll, a native of the place, born July 12, 1870, a daughter of Frank Doll, and to this union has been born one child—Bertha. Mr. and Mrs. Bauer are consistent members of St. Gabriel's Catholic congregation and Mr. Bauer of St. Joseph's society. In politics he is a democrat. He is doing a prosperous business, is popular with his patrons and the public in general, and, beside his business place in Connersville, owns a residence in Logansport.

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**VERY REV. JOHN W. BOOK**, pastor of St. Michael's (German Catholic) and St. Patrick's churches, at Cannelton, Perry county, Ind., is a native of Clark county, this state, was born October 21, 1850, and is the eldest of the family of six sons and four daughters born to William and Mary (Engel) Book, but of this family the father and five of the children are deceased.

William Book, a native of the kingdom of Hanover (now a part of united Germany), was educated in a parochial school, was reared to agricultural pursuits, and in 1846 came to America; Mrs. Mary (Engel) Book was born in the city of Treves, in Rhenish Prussia, came to the United States in 1848, and is now a resident of Louisville, Ky.

Rev. John W. Book received his preliminary educational training in a parochial school of his native county, but, having early manifested a desire to become a priest, he was placed in St. Meinrad's college in 1865. After four years' study in this famous institution, he entered St. Joseph's seminary at Bardstown, Ky., in 1869, studied two years, and in 1871 re-entered St. Meinrad's, from which he graduated and was ordained priest, by Bishop de St. Palais, November 2, 1873. His first charge (1873) was at Rockport, Spencer county, Ind., connected with which was a mission at Centerville, in the same county, and also a mission at Yankeetown, Warrick county, and of this charge he was the resi-







Yours Truly,  
Rev J W Brook.



ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH,  
CANNELTON, IND.



dent pastor for twelve years. While the incumbent of this pastorate, Father Book erected at Rockport a handsome stone and brick church, in 1875, at a cost of \$12,000, and in 1884 built a comfortable priest's house; he also enlarged St. Rupert's church at Yankeetown, and made many other improvements. That his labors were onerous as well as zealous, will be well understood when it is stated that he ministered to fully forty-five families in the Rockport parish and the two missions attached thereto, the great distance between them rendering the duties arduous. July 20, 1886, Father Book was assigned to his present charge at Cannelton, which includes the pastorate of St. Michael's, and its mission of St. Patrick's at the same place. Here, in 1888, he erected the parochial school-building, known as St. John's Catholic school. This structure is of brick and stone, is two stories in height, and the pupils, 110 in number, are taught by two Benedictine Sisters, a third being employed as housekeeper. The congregation of St. Michael's comprises seventy-five families, or 325 souls, while that of St. Patrick's numbers eighty families or 400 souls. The total valuation of the church property at Cannelton is placed at \$40,000, and the two congregations live in harmony and unity, with but one choir and one priest.

Beside performing his spiritual duties toward his two congregations, Father Book has found time to devote considerable labor to literary pursuits, being the author of several works which have become noted in Catholic circles, among which may be mentioned: "Thousand and One Objections to Secret Societies," which calls for the fifth edition and 8,000 copies; "Side Switches of the Short Line", sixth edition and 15,000 copies; "Mollie's Mistake, or Mixed Marriages," seventh edition, 9,000 copies; "Short Line to the Roman Catholic church," seventeenth edition, 38,000 copies, and the last though not the least of his subjects—"The Book of Books." This last production is meeting with a cordial reception, as have all of his writings. Father Book has been a power upon the rostrum as an exponent of the faith of the members of the Roman Catholic church, the history of its dogmas and a resume of church duties. He is a man whose extended education and culture makes

him to be understood in the common walks of life, as regards simplicity of diction. His metaphors and allegories are so plainly drawn, or described, in the king's English, that the common reader may not err in his understanding. He is a beloved pastor, is genial and cordial in his demeanor, and has the happy faculty of placing the stranger at ease in his home.

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**J**OSEPH J. BAUER, a trustee of St. Mary's parish, Indianapolis, Ind., resides with his family at No. 606 East South street, and is a son of John G. and Rosetta Bauer, the former of whom was a native of Germany and the latter of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Joseph J. Bauer was born at Newport, Ky., October 22, 1859, to which place his parents had then recently removed from Cincinnati, Ohio, and there the father and the maternal grandfather of the subject died. In 1863 the mother, with her two children, Joseph J., the subject, and Elizabeth, now Mrs. Floribert Michelis, came to Indianapolis, accompanied by the maternal grandmother, who has since died. Mrs. Bauer and her children are still residents of Indianapolis. Joseph J. Bauer was four years old at the time of the removal aforesaid, and after reaching Indianapolis he was educated at St. Mary's parish school. His first holy communion was administered to him in the church of that parish by the Rev. Father Siegriest. He married Miss Francis Ittenbach, daughter of Gerhard Ittenbach, a well known and highly esteemed early Catholic citizen of Indianapolis. To this marriage there was born one child, who is now deceased.

Mr. Bauer is a highly respected citizen, intelligent, progressive and industrious, and is a worthy member of St. Joseph's society, of which he has occupied all the official positions. As a business man he has been successful to an unusual degree and is now the solicitor for the Home Brewing company, of Indianapolis, which position he fills with entire satisfaction to the company and with credit and profit to himself, the company having the fullest confidence in him.

**J**OSEPH L. BAYARD, cashier of the First National bank and a leading business man of Vincennes, is a native of this city, was born January 21, 1840, and is a son of John F. and Mary A. (Bano) Bayard, one of the oldest and most respected families of Knox county, Ind. He was educated in the public and parochial schools of Vincennes and also took a three-year course at St. Joseph's college, of Bardstown, Ky., concluding which, in 1858, he accepted a clerkship under his brother Frank, who was cashier of the Vincennes branch of the Bank of the State of Indiana. Ill health caused him to resign this position, and in 1863 he engaged in mercantile pursuits for five years, this period being the only part of his business life not passed in his profession as banker. In 1869 he was one of the incorporators of the German Banking company, which name was changed, in 1871, to the First National bank of Vincennes, and from the beginning he has been its cashier. Its capital is \$100,000, and surplus and undivided profits \$50,000, and it has the credit of being the largest private depository of any bank of like capital in the state, and it also had the distinction of being the first bank in the state to resume specie payment under the resumption act. Mr. Bayard is also one of the incorporators of the Citizens' Gas Light & Coke company of Vincennes, of which he is the vice-president, he is also one of the (life) trustees for the Vincennes university, the oldest, and one of the best educational institutions in the west, and is also treasurer of the board of trustees, and is likewise the senior of the firm of Joseph L. Bayard & Co., doing a very extensive insurance business.

August 15, 1871, Mr. Bayard was most happily joined in matrimony with Miss Helen Burke, of Marietta, Ohio, and this union has been blessed with six children, viz: Joseph L., Jr., who was educated at St. John's college, Fordham, N. Y., is married to Miss Helen Riley, and is now a clerk in the First National bank of Vincennes; John Burke, an electrical engineer, and a graduate of Purdue university; Samuel M.; Maurice F. and Paul W. are students in the Vincennes university (Samuel M. graduated in 1897), and Marguerite is a charming little miss of nine years. The family worship in St. Francis Xavier church, and in politics Mr. Bayard is a republican. Mr. Bayard, it will be seen, is one of the most

enterprising and substantial business men of the city, is greatly respected for his unimpeachable integrity, and no family in the city stands higher in social circles than his own.

**J**OSEPH BAYER, residing at No. 35 Depot street, Brightwood, Marion county, Ind., is a native of Austria, was born October 6, 1846, and is a son of George and Margaret (Colbec) Bayer.

Joseph Bayer grew to manhood in his native country, and there learned the potter's trade. He also served five years in the Austrian army, and was in active service in the war between Austria and Italy, receiving a wound. He came to America in 1870, locating first in Minnesota, but traveled extensively, working at his trade.

The marriage of Mr. Bayer took place at Washington, Mo., in 1874, the lady of his choice being Maria Grunger, who was born there in 1852. Five children have blessed this union, viz: George, Katie, John, Maggie and Joseph, and of these the eldest is in Philadelphia, employed in architectural terra cotta work.

Mr. Bayer moved his family to Brightwood in 1889, and has here been employed ever since as a worker in architectural terra cotta work. He is an experienced and successful artist, and excels as a designer. The family is deeply interested in St. Francis de Sales church, in Brightwood, of which Mr. Bayer has served as a trustee and is very active in its interests. Mr. Bayer is a member of the Catholic Knights of America, No. 80, of Indianapolis, and in political views is a democrat. Mrs. Bayer is a member of the Altar society, and the family is one of the most respected in Brightwood.

**M**RS. MAGDALINE BEACH is the widow of Fred J. Beach, who died April 7, 1895, and had for many years been a prominent hardware merchant in Fort Wayne. Mrs. Beach is one of four children born to Louis A. and Mary Younker. The parents were from Germany, and came to the United States in the



'twenties. The father was a banker and was also connected with a wholesale grocery, and died in 1878. The mother died September 18, 1895. Our subject was married September 20, 1860, and became the mother of nine children, five of whom are living: Mary A., now wife of Murray Hartnett, insurance and real estate agent; Fred W. Beach, traveling for a hardware house, and married to Miss Aurora Long; Edward A. Beach, single, now located in New York, as a traveling salesman; Murray A., at school, and Oliver N. The family are all members of the cathedral congregation, and stand very high in social as well as church circles.

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**HENRY BEADELL**, proprietor of a large dry-goods store at Fort Wayne, Ind., is the elder of the two sons of Samuel and Frances (Hone) Beadell, natives of England, and was born in London, September 5, 1862. He came to the United States in 1882, and lived in Connecticut for one year; then came to Fort Wayne, Ind., engaged in his present business in 1883, for two years; then left for four years, returned in January, 1889, and again engaged in his present business. He was married in January, 1885, to Mary Stier, daughter of Henry Stier, who died July 12, 1897. Francis C. has blessed this union, and the parents, as well as the son, are devout Catholics. Mr. Beadell has been very prosperous as a business man, having a thorough knowledge of the needs of the public in his line of trade, and being at all times affable in his treatment of his patrons and desirous of doing them justice in all particulars, and careful to never misrepresent his fabrics.

Henry Stier, father of Mrs. Beadell, died at his home, 106 Lafayette street, Fort Wayne, at the date already mentioned, after a long illness. For several years past the infirmities of age had weighed heavily on the old pioneer, and a stroke of paralysis, sustained a few weeks prior to his death, supplemented his other ailments, and eventually led to his death at the age of eighty-one years, in the faith of the Catholic church, being a member of St. Mary's, of which he was one of the founders. The deceased was born in Germany, came to America in 1834, and in August of that

year came to Fort Wayne. He was employed in the construction of the old Wabash & Erie canal a few years later, and afterward engaged in the stone business. He took an active part in city politics some years ago, and at one time occupied the position of superintendent of street repairs. Advancing age induced him to retire, and, having accumulated some property, he was enabled to live comfortably. He was married, in 1840, to Miss Charlotte Meyer, who survives him, with the following children: Mrs. Henry Beadell, Mrs. M. E. Fitzgibbon, Mrs. John Schuckman, Miss Sophia Stier, Jacob, George and Henry Stier. There are also nineteen grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The deceased possessed all the attributes that make men respected and esteemed in any community. A man of sterling, rugged honesty, pure religious sentiments, and withal of a kindly, cheery disposition, he was liked by every one. He was the highest type of a good citizen, and his adopted country had no more faithful son than he. He had lived in Fort Wayne since the city's infancy, and loved the town with the pride of one who had watched its gradual development from the first. He was one of the last of the men who made the city's history, and his death is generally mourned by those who knew him in the early days.

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**H**ENRY J. BECHTEL, in the grocery business at Lawrenceburg, Dearborn county, is a son of Joseph and Catherine (Gander) Bechtel, both from Germany, and who came to Lawrenceburg in 1838; the father was a cooper and learned the trade in Cincinnati. He died in Lawrenceburg August 22, 1891. The mother still survives. She was twice married—first to Alexander Schwartz, and by this union two daughters and one son were born, viz: Mary, now wife of Matthias Lipps; Elizabeth, wife of Peter Zins, and Edmund, who died in 1880. By her marriage to Joseph Bechtel two sons were born—Henry J. and Charles F., of whom the latter died October 10, 1894, aged twenty-seven years.

Henry J. Bechtel was born July 14, 1865, attended common schools, and at the age of thirteen began working in his present

store for his father, in which he has continued ever since. He has a stock valued at about \$2,500 and does a business annually to the amount of \$5,000. He was united in marriage June 9, 1896, to Miss Carrie Fangman, a daughter of Henry Fangman. He and his wife are both devout members of the Catholic church, and are held in very high esteem by the entire community of Lawrenceburg. Mr. and Mrs. Bechtel have one son, Joseph William, born May 29, 1897.

**F**RANK CARLYSLE BECKER, M. D., a regular practicing physician and surgeon at No. 201 Hadley avenue, Indianapolis, is a native of LaSalle county, Ill., was born July 8, 1868, and is a son of Charles and Mary E. (Asherman) Becker, the former a native of Germany and a shoe dealer formerly, but now a stock raiser, and the latter a native of the state of Illinois, and of German and Irish parentage, and educated in the convent at Lasalle.

To Charles and Mary E. Becker have been born five children, of whom Dr. Frank C. is the eldest; William L., the second born, is a graduate of the Northwestern college of Pharmacy and is engaged in the drug business in Indianapolis; Carl L. is a student in St. Bede college, preparing for the Catholic ministry; Delia A. and Joseph are still attending school and reside with their parents.

Dr. Becker, after passing through the usual preparatory course of study, entered the Northwestern university at Chicago, and, later, the Indiana Medical college, from which he graduated in March, 1896, and at once established his office at the address mentioned above, where he is actively engaged in practice, having already achieved a reputation for skill and ability. He is a member of Marion county Medical society, and has for the past nine years been a member of the Catholic Order of Foresters, of Chicago; he is also a member of Weber council, No. 274, Young Men's institute, of which he is examining physician, and is likewise regimental surgeon of the Weber Zouaves, of West Indianapolis.

The doctor is of a congenial and sympathizing disposition, keeps well abreast of the modern progress in the science of medi-

cine, and it is only a matter of time when he will stand in the front rank of the profession. He is a devout Catholic and stands ever ready to aid the church in its good work.

**T**HOMAS F. BARRETT, chief of the Indianapolis fire department, was born in Wheeling, W. Va., April 3, 1852, a son of Patrick D. and Catherine (Murphy) Barrett, natives of county Mayo, Ireland, but married in Virginia.

Patrick D. Barrett was a railroad contractor, and first brought his family to Indianapolis in 1866, but the duties of his profession called him south, and in 1870 the family went to Memphis, Tenn., where the father died of yellow fever in 1873. The children were seven in number, and were named, in order of birth, as follows: Thomas F., Mary, Catherine, Rose, John, Patrick and Ellen. Of these, Catherine and Patrick died about the same time the father passed away, and of the same disorder; John died at the south when twelve years old, and Ellen died in Indianapolis; Rose, the widow of Thomas Monaghan, resides at No. 413 South New Jersey street, and here, also, the widowed mother makes her home; Mary, widow of John Lanigan, lives in Memphis, Tenn. After the death of the father, the surviving members of the family returned to Indianapolis, and this city has since been their home.

Thomas F. Barrett was educated in a private Catholic school in this city and in Bryant & Stratton's Business college. His early business life was passed as a clerk in various mercantile houses in this city, and for several years he kept his father's accounts at the south, and was also employed in the Evening Mirror office in Indianapolis, a publication now extinct. September 22, 1874; he became a member of the Indianapolis fire department as a hoseman of engine company No. 7, on Maryland street; in June, 1882, he was transferred from the Seventh to the Fourth engine company as an engine fireman; from 1886 to 1889 he was a pipeman; then, until 1890, was a driver; February, 1890, he was promoted captian of No. 6 engine company, then, January 1, 1891, was promoted assistant chief; November 18, 1896, he was



*Thomas J. Barrett*



promoted to his present responsible position, and thus has seen over twenty-three years of activity in the service.

The fire department of Indianapolis comprises 160 members, has twenty-two station-houses, nineteen hose carriages, nine steam engines, three chemical engines, three service trucks, and one aerial ladder and water tower, over all which Capt. Barrett has chief control and direction, and it may well be imagined that his responsibility and duties are somewhat onerous.

Capt. Barrett was united in marriage, November 25, 1879, at St. John's church, by Rev. Father Curran, to Miss Sarah McManaman, of North Vernon, Ind., and daughter of Thomas and Catherine McManaman, natives of Ireland, but both now deceased. Three children have come to bless Capt. Barrett and wife, viz: Catherine, born February 22, 1881; Thomas, Jr., born January 24, 1884, and Mary, born September 14, 1887. The family are members of St. Patrick's church and Capt. Barrett is a member of the Celtic club. In politics he is a democrat, but is not bitterly partisan, yet sound. The family residence is at No. 527 East Merrill street, where many warm friends find a hearty welcome.

**JOHN E. BECKETT**, a well-known business man of Montgomery, is a native of Daviess county, Ind., was born August 9, 1859, and is a son of William and Mary (Graves) Beckett.

William Beckett was born in Bourbon county, Ky., in 1817, and in 1818 was brought to Daviess county by his parents, who settled in Barr township. Here he grew to manhood on the home farm and here married Miss Graves, a native of the county, born in 1825. To this marriage were born eight children, of whom three are still living, viz: Robert O., in California; John E., the subject of this notice, and Emma, wife of Harry Walker, a mail agent on the B. & O. road. Mrs. Beckett passed away in 1876, a true Catholic, and Mr. Beckett died in 1893, in the same faith, and in politics a democrat.

John E. Beckett was reared on the home farm, was educated in a common school, and was confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais

in 1874. November 9, 1881, he married Miss Catherine Drew, a native of Daviess county, and a daughter of James and Catherine (Cuzick) Drew. This union has been blessed with four sons, of whom one is deceased, the survivors being Norbert, a student, and Albert and James, attending the parochial school.

In politics Mr. Beckett is a sound democrat, cast his first presidential vote for Winfield Scott Hancock, and has adhered to the party ever since. He opened his present place of business in 1893, and by his genial and pleasant deportment has made hosts of friends. Although he began with limited capital, he now owns his place of business, a comfortable home and a fine farm of 120 acres in Reeve township. He and his wife are among the leading laity of St. Peter's church, and also hold a high position in social circles.

**B**ENHART BELLEDIN, a representative and substantial citizen of South Bend, was born in Harris township, St. Joseph county, Ind., May 18, 1845, a son of Joseph and Barbara (Becherer) Belledin, natives of Germany.

Joseph Belledin was a clockmaker by trade and came to America a single man. He married in Buffalo, N. Y., Miss Barbara Becherer, who was born February 9, 1811, and some time after marriage came to Indiana and settled in Harris township, St. Joseph county, where he enlisted for the war with Mexico, and, after being honorably discharged, went to New Orleans, since which time nothing has been heard of him. Mrs. Barbara Belledin died in St. Joseph county, Ind., July 23, 1894, her mortal remains being now at rest in Cedar Grove cemetery, South Bend. She was a devout Catholic, and in this faith reared her five children, who, in order of birth, were named as follows: John, who lives in St. Joseph county, and is a farmer; Joseph and William, deceased; Mary, who is married to Frank Wolf, of St. Joseph county, and Benhart. The parents, indeed, were among the pioneer Catholics of St. Joseph county, and the mother was an attendant at the first mass read in the original log church-edifice at



Notre Dame in 1842, and it is presumable that her husband was also an attendant on the same occasion.

Benhart Belledin, the subject proper of this memoir, attended the district and parochial schools until seventeen years old, and for the following twelve years devoted his time to cultivating his mother's farm. In 1875 he came to South Bend and engaged in carpentering and contracting, a business he has ever since conducted with most gratifying success. He was first married January 19, 1875, at Notre Dame, to Miss Margaret Gooley, the ceremony being celebrated by Rev. Father Granger. This union was blessed with four children, as follows: Walter, deceased, and Laura, Grace and William, who are attending St. Mary's parochial school at South Bend. Mrs. Belledin was called away May 28, 1887, and her remains were interred in Cedar Grove cemetery. The second marriage of Mr. Belledin was solemnized April 22, 1891, with Miss Ellen McGuire, at St. Columbkil church, Chicago, Ill., by Rev. Father Burke. Mr. Belledin is a member of St. John's society and of the Catholic Knights of America, council No. 701; he has also been a trustee of St. Mary's church of South Bend for over seven years, and contributed liberally toward the construction of both St. Mary's church-building and school-house, and has ever been one of the most active workers in all projects designed for the good of St. Mary's and the promotion of the spiritual and temporal welfare of the congregation.

JOHN G. BECKMANN, dealer in farm implements, and also grain and fertilizers, at Ferdinand, Ind., son of John G. and Anna (Mueller) Beckmann, was born January 4, 1852, and was reared in Dubois county. He was educated in the common schools and also at St. Mary's college at Dayton, Ohio, and at the age of twenty years began traveling for Wurach & Bergreen, of Louisville, with whom he remained four years. He next went into the poultry business up and down the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, and in 1881 went into the mercantile business in Ferdinand and continued in that line for twelve years. He then sold out and engaged in his present business.

Mr. Beckmann first married Miss Lizzie Snyder, who died in 1887. The children by her were named Robert J. (deceased), Mary A., Ella N., and Charles, the last named also deceased. The second marriage of Mr. Beckmann took place January 27, 1891, to Miss Lizzie Sieber, and this union has been blessed with three children: Jerome, Arthur and one deceased. The family are devoted Catholics and are members of St. Ferdinand's church under Father Eberhard Stadler.

**J**OHAN H. BECKMANN, tobacco manufacturer, planing-mill proprietor, general merchant and dealer in machinery in general at Ferdinand, Dubois county, Ind., is a son of J. G. and Anna (Mueller) Beckmann, and was born March 12, 1842, in Ferdinand, where he attended the common schools. The father was one of the first settlers of the county and was engaged in farming; he later moved to Ferdinand and went into the merchandizing business on a very small scale, having only \$250 in cash. He lived until December 25, 1870, and his wife until February, 1880, and both died in Ferdinand, Dubois county.

John H. Beckmann was educated by Uncle Sam. He enlisted in company B, Ninety-first Indiana infantry, on August 12, 1862, and was honorably discharged at Salisbury, N. C., on June 26, 1865. He returned to Dubois county July 15, but went to Chicago for a short time, returning to Dubois county in 1866. He conducted a general merchandizing business for his sister in 1867, in Cannelton, and in 1868 went into merchandizing business for himself, continuing until 1883, when he sold out to his brother, owing to bad health. He then went to French Lick Springs awhile to recuperate. After regaining his health he returned to Ferdinand and engaged in the tobacco, clover and lumber business, which he conducts at the present time. Tobacco is his principal commodity, he being one of the largest dealers in this article in the state of Indiana. He deserves all the praise that could be bestowed upon any one individual for his tact, energy, honest dealing and general enterprise as a business man. Mr. Beckmann was married May 12, 1868, to his present wife, Miss Anna K. Smitz,

a daughter of Henry Smitz, of Germany, who died in 1871, he being one of the first families of Germany. To their union have been born two children, one living, viz: Bertha, now the wife of William R. Sauer, of Louisville, Ky., but who resides in Ferdinand, Dubois county, engaged in business with his father-in-law. Both Mr. and Mrs. Beckmann and the daughter, Bertha, are strict and devout Catholics, and members of Father Eberhard's church.

**JOHN HENRY BECKMANN**, general merchant and dealer in clover-seed and produce, at Ferdinand, is a son of John G. and Anna C. (Mueller) Beckmann and was born in Dubois county, June 2, 1848; he attended common schools and St. Meinrad college, also the Louisville Commercial college, and at the age of eighteen years engaged in business with his father, in general merchandizing, and is still thus engaged.

Mr. Beckmann was married on September 4, 1871, to Miss Katie Pfaff, a daughter of Joseph Pfaff, of Dubois county, but a native of Germany. This marriage has been blessed with ten children, viz: Laura, Emma, August, Ida, Huber and Hugo (twins, now aged sixteen years and attending college at Dayton, Ohio), Edward, Henrietta, Robert and Lucile. All of the family are faithful members of St. Ferdinand's church and are very highly respected. Mr. Beckmann occupies a storeroom 40 x 100 feet, carries a stock valued at \$12,000, and is doing a thriving trade.

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**JOHN J. BEISEL.**—Few Catholics of Indianapolis have exercised a more potent influence in behalf of the church than the well-known gentleman whose biography is herewith presented.

John J. Beisel is a native of Prussia, Germany, born on the historic Rhine, July 27, 1829. His parents were Henry Joseph and Mary Margaret Beisel, also natives of Prussia, where they passed their lives and where their bodies lie buried. The father

was, for many years, a gardener for one of the noble families of Prussia and is remembered as a man of sterling worth. Two full brothers, two half-brothers and three half-sisters of the subject constitute the family of the above Henry Joseph, he having been twice married—Mary Margaret being his first wife.

John J. was educated and grew to manhood in the land of his nativity and served three years in the Prussian army, taking part in the Baden revolution. At the age of twenty-two, he came to the United States, locating at Hudson, N. Y., where he remained thirteen years engaged in farming. He was married in Holy Cross church, Albany, N. Y., by Bishop McCloskey, July 4, 1853, the lady of his choice being Miss Philopena Buch, a native of Bavaria, Germany, born August 16, 1821. Mrs. Beisel came to America alone in 1851, and was reared a Protestant, but accepted the Catholic faith after her marriage.

Mr. Beisel moved to Cincinnati in 1865, and for twenty years thereafter was employed in the foundry and furnace business in that city. In 1885 he became a resident of Indianapolis, where he has since lived, spending the first seven years after his arrival in the car works, and the two succeeding years as an employee in the pump works of Dean Brothers; since severing his connection with the latter firm, he has been head melter at the Brown & Ketchum works, Haughville.

Mr. and Mrs. Beisel have been unfortunate with their family, four children having been born to them, all of whom died. The eldest was Philopena, who died in childhood, as did also Katherine and John Joseph. Mary Elizabeth, a most lovable daughter, grew to womanhood, married John Clouse and died several years afterward. She was a devoted Christian, active in all the works of religion and charity, and on her death bed exacted a promise of her father that he would never relinquish his efforts until there was a Catholic church established in west Indianapolis. About that time he presented her a lot, which she transferred to the bishop to be used toward paying for the church. By reason of the above request, coupled with his own desire to see the church established, Mr. Beisel has been very active and liberal toward Assumption parish, sparing no reasonable efforts in inducing the settlement of

Catholic families in that part of the city, and giving freely of his means to the promotion of the faith of his fathers.

In company with Patrick Carey and James Coyle, he took the initiative in establishing the above named parish, in addition to which he also contributed much in behalf of the church of the Sacred Heart, where services were conducted in his native tongue. He served as church treasurer and was largely instrumental in raising the money for the purchase of the church property. He was also a member of the board of trustees for some time, but his principal efforts have been along the line of soliciting outside aid to erect the church building, his people being poor in this world's goods and unable to contribute as fully as necessary. His life has been an unselfish sacrifice to duty, and the future awaits him with bountiful rewards.

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GEORGE A. BENCKHART, one of the trustees of St. Charles' church, has been a resident of Bloomington since 1875, and is the proprietor of a thriving and popular bakery. He was born in Independence, Mo., June 8, 1848, the son of George A. and Maria (Webber) Benckhart, natives of Prussia, the former of whom came to America in 1844, when he was a young man, and followed his trade of merchant-tailor at New Orleans, where, in 1847, he was married to Maria, daughter of Francis Webber, who came to this country from Prussia in 1840. After their marriage the parents of our subject moved to Independence, Mo., thence to Louisville, Ky., and later lived in Indiana and Kentucky towns alternately. The mother died in 1870. There were nine children, of whom eight are still living: Our subject, the eldest; Mathias, who married Mary Short, and resides at Lexington, Ky., in the wholesale bottling business; Theressa, married to Bernard Fotsch, of Lexington, Ky.; Henry, a merchant-tailor residing at Bloomington, who married Mary Cron; Mary, married to John Beers, of Indianapolis; John, of Lexington, Ky., who married Mary Wecherley; Anthony, a baker, at Bloomington, who married Emma Small, and has one child, Elizabeth, born May 11, 1896; Joseph, a barber of

Lexington, Ky., who married Alice Dalton; Kate died in early womanhood. The father married a second time, Mary Echsner becoming his wife. Two years ago he was compelled to give up active business by reason of failing eyesight.

At the age of fifteen, George A. Benckhart began to learn the baker's trade, and worked in various towns in Kentucky, Tennessee and Indiana, and in 1875 came to Bloomington, three years later engaging in business for himself, beginning with \$75 cash, and building up a profitable trade. In 1888 he suffered a heavy loss by fire, but rebuilt on the site of the destroyed store and now owns his business building and residence combined, and two adjoining storerooms, one of which is occupied by his brother Henry.

He was married, in 1877, to Mary Nold, who was born in Louisville, Ky., daughter of George Nold. Mr. and Mrs. Benckhart have four children: Mary, born March 28, 1878; Mathias, January 14, 1880; Anna, November 26, 1882, and George, February 20, 1886; also an adopted daughter, Margaret Nold, born November 23, 1891. Mr. Benckhart attends closely to his own affairs. He is devoted to the church and its interests, but mingles little with political or public affairs.

REV. BERNARDINUS ABBINK, chaplain of the Old People's Home, near Avilla, Noble county, Ind., was born in Cleveland, Ohio, October 20, 1850, a son of Herman and Harriet (Halfkenscheld) Abbink, natives of Holland. These parents came to the United States at different periods and were united in marriage in Cleveland, where the father was engaged in the butchering business until 1850, when he transferred his family and business to Evanston, Ill., then a suburb of Chicago, but now a part of the Chicago incorporation, and there engaged in farming until his death, which occurred May 7, 1882, his widow being called to the better land, to join her husband, February 27, 1890.

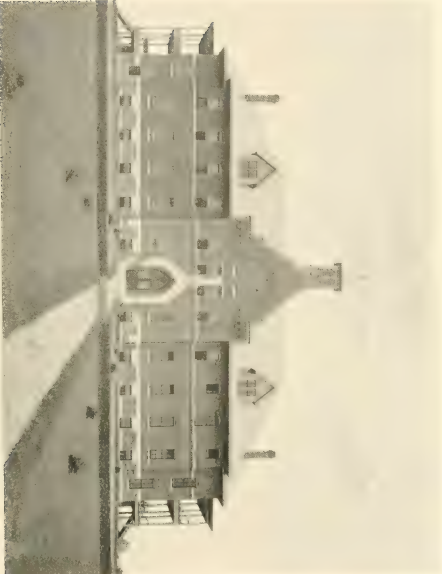
Rev. Bernardinus Abbink, the eldest born of the seven children that by Heaven's blessing, were sent to gladden the hearts of his





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parents, attended school at Grosspoint, Cook county, Ill., until twelve years of age, and then entered a seminary, in which he prepared by theological study for ordination, which was conferred by Bishop Burgess, following which he was stationed at Cross Village (or La Croix), Mich., St. Francis Assissi, an Indian mission, then in the diocese of Detroit, but now of Grand Rapids, where he officiated, as assistant, until 1889, then until May, 1896, as superior, his assistant being Rev. Anthony Baumgarten. His duties at Cross Village were very onerous, but he did good and faithful work, paying great attention to the education and the leading to the holy faith of the young children of the aborigines that could be induced to attend the Franciscan school. In 1896 he was appointed to his present charge, in the diocese of Fort Wayne, where his piety, benignity and devotedness have won the reverence of the aged flock over whom he presides.

CHARLES J. BERENS, proprietor of the Temple Court meat market, Washington, Ind., is a native of this city, was born September 11, 1859, and is a son of Peter and Anna (Callahan) Berens.

Peter Berens, father of subject, was born in Prussia and settled in Washington, Ind., in 1852. Here he engaged in the boot and shoe trade until 1886, when he opened a meat market, which he continued until his death, which occurred November 11, 1889, in the faith of the Catholic church, he being a member of St. Simon's parish. His wife, who belonged to the same parish, was called to rest in 1878, but their six children still survive and are named: Mary, Charles J., Rose, Peter J., Catherine and Thomas F.

Charles J. Berens, the subject of this memoir, attended the parochial school until sixteen years of age, and then assisted his father in the meat market, or until the death of the latter, when the three brothers, Charles J., Peter J. and Thomas F., formed a partnership and acted together until August, 1895, when the youngest brother, Thomas F., withdrew and opened a shop on his own account. Charles J. and Peter J. continued till October, 1897,

when C. J. became sole proprietor. The Temple Court meat market is 24x75 feet, and a local journal remarks of the former firm: "The Berenses are expert judges of meat, and they buy and kill their own cattle and cure and smoke their own hams and bacon. Their shop is most elegantly fitted up and presents a clean and delightful appearance. Their meats after being killed are held in cold storage for a length of time, sufficient to make it suitable for use. Consequently, such a thing as tough beef steak does not come from Berens' Temple Court meat market. They put up a high grade lard, on which they enjoy a large patronage." These remarks are equally forcible as applied to the present proprietor.

Charles J. Berens was united in marriage, June 21, 1893, with Miss Anna Miller, a native of Washington, Ind., and a daughter of Jacob and Eva Miller, deceased, of whom a biography is given on another page, and this marriage has been blessed with two children—Carl M. and Walter E. Mr. and Mrs. Berens are now members of St. Simon's church, but prior to marriage Mr. Berens was a member of St. Mary's and also a member of its choir. Mr. Berens owns his residence in the city and also thirty acres of good land in the county, and is a substantial citizen, highly respected both as a business man and as a member of society.

PETER J. BERENS, proprietor of the meat market, at No. 324 Main street, Washington, Daviess county, Ind., was born in Washington, June 20, 1861, and is a younger brother of Charles J. Berens, whose biography appears above. He was educated in the parochial school of St. Simon, which he attended until fifteen years old, when he engaged in butcher work, finally becoming the partner of his brothers, as detailed in the memoir of Charles J., and in October, 1897, engaged in business alone.

October 15, 1895, Peter J. Berens was married, in Vincennes, Ind., to Miss Fannie Beckman, a native of that city and a daughter of Henry Beckman, to which union has been born one child—John L. Mr. and Mrs. Berens are members of St. Simon's church and conscientiously live in accordance with the teachings of the

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Catholic faith. They are highly esteemed by a large circle of friends and acquaintances, and Mr. Berens is quite prominent as a member of the Young Men's institute. He is liberal and public spirited, and as a citizen is well worthy of the high regard in which he is held by the public in general.

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**REV. JOHN B. BERG**, the accomplished young pastor of St. John the Evangelist's church at Remington, Jasper county, Ind., was born in the diocese of Trier, Germany, August 20, 1864, and is a son of Peter and Magdaline (June) Berg. He came to America September 2, 1880, located in Schererville, Lake county, Ind., and was educated at St. Lawrence college at Mount Calvary, Wis., then at St. Francis college, Milwaukee, at St. Vincent college, Westmoreland county, Pa., and was ordained priest June 15, 1889, at Fort Wayne, Ind., by Bishop Dwenger—his first charge being that of Reynolds, White county, Ind., where his ministrations were so satisfactory to his superiors and his congregation, that he was retained in this position three years and ten months, when a broader scope for the exercise of his ministerial talents and administrative ability was found for him in Remington, in 1893. In this charge Father Berg has faithfully labored over six years, has accomplished much good, and the field for the accomplishment of much more still lies before him. He is eloquent and devout, is conscientious and faithful in the discharge of his clerical duties, and well deserves the affection and high esteem in which he is held by his flock in Remington, as well as by many friends, with whom he has no church affiliation.

**REV. A. M. BUCHHEIT**, the present accomplished pastor of St. Anthony de Padua church at Klaasville, Lake county, Ind., was born in Decatur, Adams county, Ind., October 25, 1861, a son of Adam and Elizabeth (Weber) Buchheit, natives of Germany. He attended St. Paul's parochial school, Fort Wayne, under the

Rev. E. Koenig (now deceased), until thirteen years of age, and then began his studies in Latin, at Hesse Cassel, near Fort Wayne, under Father Nussbaum. A year and a half later he entered Calvary college, in Fond du Lac county, Wis., where he finished his classical studies in 1883, and then entered the seminary of St. Francis, there completed his philosophical and theological studies, and was ordained priest by Bishop Dwenger June 29, 1887, at Fort Wayne. He was first assigned as supply priest at St. Paul's, Fort Wayne, for six weeks; was next at Chesterton, Ind., two weeks; then at LaGro, Ind., eight weeks, and was then appointed to his first regular charge, Goshen, Elkhart county, with Ligonier and Millersburg as missions. In this pastorate he labored zealously and arduously for two and three-quarters years, when he was allowed a vacation of seven months. He was then appointed assistant to Rev. J. H. Hueser, pastor of SS. Peter and Paul's church at Huntington, Ind., with whom he remained six years, and then, July 29, 1895, was appointed to his present responsible pastorate at Klaasville, where his many amiable qualities have endeared him to his flock and the public at large.

**A**NTON WILLIAM BEY, senior member of the firm of Bey Bros., general merchants of Vincennes, Ind., was born in this city December 8, 1857, and was educated in St. John's German Catholic school and the public schools of the city.

Joseph Bey, father of subject, was born near Strasbourg, in France, July 10, 1834, came to Vincennes, Ind., when a lad of twelve years, learned the cooper's trade, rose to considerable prominence, and at his death, which resulted from hemorrhage of the lungs, February 17, 1875, was a member of the Vincennes city council, and a member of St. John's church. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Josephine Kennel, was born in New Orleans, La., May 4, 1836, and was of German descent, although her parents were born in Alsace, France, this nation having time and again held control of both Strasbourg and Alsace. Joseph and Josephine Bey were married in November, 1856, in St. John's Catholic church.

in Vincennes, Ind., and, in the faith of this church, after twenty-eight years of membership, she died January 10, 1894. The six children, still living, born to Joseph and Josephine Bey, were educated in St. John's parochial school, received communion under the late Rev. Father Merz, and were christened, in order of birth: Anton William, John N., William J., Lawrence A., Sophia W. and Elizabeth. Of these, Anton W. married, February 16, 1897, Miss Annie Drulinger, a native of Vincennes and a daughter of Andrew Drulinger, a native of Alsace, and for the past twenty-six years a watchman in the B. & O. freight office; Lawrence A. married Miss Mary Fritch, daughter of Benjamin Fritch, of Vincennes, while the other brothers and sisters of subject remain unmarried.

The early business years of Anton W. Bey were passed as a traveling salesman, first for a Quincy, Ill., house, for which he canvassed southern Iowa and northern Michigan, and then for a St. Louis firm throughout the south and north from New Orleans to St. Paul, working for six years, about equally divided between the two firms. This road experience of course gave him a keen insight into mercantile affairs, which has been brought to bear in the management of his present firm. In 1890 the firm of Bey Bros. was established at the corner of Main and Seventh streets, Vincennes, and April 12, 1894, the firm of A. W. Bey & Bros. was founded at No. 120 Main street, of which the subject has the entire charge, and which carries a full line of groceries, shoes, notions, etc., making one of the best displays in the city. The two firms give employment to seven clerks, and the four brothers themselves have but little time to spare from attending to their numerous customers. The brothers rank among the most substantial business men of Vincennes and this position has been reached through their personal efforts, as they inherited nothing that is invested in their enterprises, but earned their capital through early diligence and industry.

Anton W. Bey and wife are members of St. John's German Catholic church, to which the remainder of the Bey family also belong, and all stand high in the esteem of the social circles of the city. The sisters, who are still single, are housekeepers for the unmarried brothers.

**J**OSEPH BEYER, a prominent farmer of Shelby county, Ind., was born in Alsace, France (now a province of Germany), November 20, 1832, a son of Anthony and Magdalene (Staup) Beyer, the former of whom was a farmer by occupation. Subject attended the parochial schools of his native country until twenty-two years of age, when he came to the United States, landing in New Orleans in 1854, whence he came to Indiana, and was employed in brickmaking and farming until 1870, when he came to Shelby county and purchased eighty acres of the farm on which he at present resides, and to which he has since added 171 acres. March 19, 1858, he married, in Dearborn county, Miss Anna Walliser, a native of that county, born June 6, 1839, and this union has been blessed with eight children, viz: Mary, at home; Louise, deceased; Josephina, wife of J. Leppert; Joseph, who married Lena Fassbinder; Frank, of Indianapolis; Agnes, at home; Mary Louisa, deceased; and Maximilian, of Chicago, Ill. Mr. Beyer and his family are devout Catholics, those residing in Shelby county being members of St. Vincent's congregation, of which Mr. Beyer has long been an official, and was chairman of the building committee when the new church-edifice was erected. For fifteen years, Mr. Beyer has been engaged in the manufacture of tiles, but he is, beside, a successful farmer and stockraiser. He owns stock in the Farmers' National bank of Shelbyville, has been very fortunate in his undertakings, and stands high in the esteem of the residents of Shelby county.

**J**OSEPH BEYER, JR., of Shelby county, was born in Dearborn county, Ind., January 31, 1864, and is a son of Joseph and Anna Beyer, whose biography is given in full in the preceding sketch. He attended the parochial schools until fifteen years of age, and then assisted his father on the home farm until he reached the age of twenty-four, when, February 7, 1888, he was united in marriage with Miss Lena Fassbinder, who was born in Franklin county, Ind., December 25, 1871, a daughter of William and Anna (Haverkus) Fassbinder, and this union has been blessed with five children, viz: Maximilian, John, Leo, Frank and Nicholas. Imme-



diately after marriage, Mr. Beyer settled on one of his father's farms, and here has made his home ever since, engaged in general farming and in raising fine stock. He and family are members of St. Vincent's congregation, and in this church Mr. Beyer was for thirteen years an assistant of the officiating clergyman. He is the present supervisor of his township, and his social relations are of the most pleasant description, as he stands very high in the esteem of the community.

**REV. BALTHASAR BIEGEL**, pastor of St. Joseph's church, at Elwood, Madison county, Ind., was born in Lake county August 6, 1866, and is a son of Peter and Theresa Biegel, natives of Hess Darmstadt, Germany.

Rev. B. Biegel attended the public schools of Lake county until fifteen years of age, meanwhile taking private lessons in Latin and Greek from Rev. William Berg, and then entered St. Lawrence college, at Mount Calvary, Fond du Lac county, Wis., from which he graduated four years later, June 25, 1885, and then entered St. Francis seminary, Milwaukee, where he studied philosophy and theology until ordained June 15, 1889, by Bishop Dwenger, of Fort Wayne. He was at once assigned to Elwood as its first resident pastor, the congregation, at that time, being attened as a mission of Anderson, and comprising twenty-five families only, but now this number has largely increased.

**REV. CHARLES F. BILGER**, pastor of St. Peter Coelestin's church at Celestine, Dubois county, Ind., was born October 15, 1857, in Baden, Germany, and is the seventh of the ten children (eight of whom are still living) that have blessed the marriage of Vincent and Caroline (Frietsch) Bilger.

Vincent Bilger, a well educated gentleman, was for many years in the employ of the German government as collector of revenues on the river Rhine, and later was appointed treasurer. In 1876 he came to America, with the object in view of having his

son, Charles F., prepared for the priesthood at St. Meinrad's college, and passed the remainder of his life with his son, dying a sincere Catholic, in 1892, at the advanced age of eighty-two years.

Rev. Charles F. Bilger received his preparatory education in the high school and gymnasium at Freiberg, in his native land, and at the age of nineteen years was well qualified for entrance into the Benedictine college at St. Meinrad, Spencer county, Ind., although his knowledge of the English language embraced three words only; yet he was proficient in several other tongues. Having completed his studies in philosophy and theology at St. Meinrad's, he was ordained priest at Indianapolis, July 18, 1880, by Bishop Chatard, and his first pastoral work was begun August 21, 1880, in the parish of St. Croix, Perry county, Ind., where there was a small log church-building with a clapboard roof. After having attended to the spiritual needs of his flock, he set himself vigorously to work to raise the necessary funds for the erection of a new church. The task was an arduous one, but was crowned with success. The corner-stone for the edifice was laid June 26, 1861, and a stone building, 36 x 75 feet, with a spire seventy-six feet high, completed within a remarkably short space of time, at a cost of \$3,000, and was finally dedicated by Bishop Chatard May 3, 1885. Father Bilger also succeeded in erecting a comfortable parsonage, which he commenced in August, 1884, and completed in December of the same year. The valuation of the church property of St. Croix is now placed at \$8,000, and the accumulation of this valuable property must be accredited to the indefatigability of Father Bilger, as the congregation was in somewhat impoverished circumstances when he assumed the pastorate. Beside doing all this noble work for St. Croix parish, Father Bilger was called upon to perform other duties, and among these was the charge of the French mission, known as Frenchtown, Harrison county, which for a short time had been vacated by the Rev. F. N. Seegmuller. Subsequently he attended Siberia, Perry county, from September, 1881, until September, 1883, doing good and faithful work.

February 3, 1891, Father Bilger was appointed to the pas-





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torate of St. Peter Coelestin's, at Celestine, to succeed Rev. Father Fleischman. He found this congregation to be in debt for \$1,720, but still in a healthy condition. This sum Father Bilger soon succeeded in liquidating, and then set energetically to work to raise the funds necessary to build a new church, and the history of the church, to be found elsewhere, will show with what success.

Father Bilger is a gentleman by birth and education, refined and erudite, and is cordial and genial to all. As a clergyman he is pious, sincere and untiring in the performance of his duties, having at heart the welfare of his parishioners, whose spiritual and temporal needs are his constant study, and by whom he is most sincerely beloved.

**H**ON. HENRY S. CAUTHORN, one of the oldest and most prominent attorneys at law, Vincennes, Ind., was born in this city February 23, 1828. His father, Gabriel T. Cauthorn, was a native of Virginia, was able to trace his ancestry in that state for a period of more than 200 years, and by profession was a physician.

Susan Cauthorn, mother of Hon. Henry S., was a daughter of Elihu Stout, who came to Vincennes from Kentucky, and, July 4, 1804, issued the Sun, the first newspaper in the northwest, and the second published west of the Alleghany mountains. Mr. Stout, in many and various ways, added materially to the growth and prosperity of the city. He edited the Sun for more than forty years, and in 1845 was appointed postmaster by President Polk. He was the first grand master of the Masonic grand lodge of the state of Indiana, held many city and county offices, and the people regarded him as one of the fathers of the city.

Henry S. Cauthorn attended the public schools, and in 1844 entered the Asbury university at Greencastle, Ind., from which he was graduated in 1848. He immediately commenced the study of law in the office of Hon. Benjamin M. Thomas, United States district attorney at the time and one of the most prominent attorneys of the state, and was admitted to the bar in 1853. He immediately commenced the duties of his profession, which he still con-

tinues, having built up a practice second to none in this portion of the state, and to-day he is regarded as one of the leading attorneys of the Knox county bar. In 1854 he was elected, as a democrat, prosecuting attorney of the district comprising Knox, Daviess, Martin and Pike counties, and in 1855 was elected city attorney, which position he held until 1858. In 1859 he was elected clerk of the Knox circuit court and again elected in 1863. In the fall of 1870 he was elected representative from Knox county, and was re-elected in the fall of 1872, and again in 1878 and in 1880. During the session of the legislature in 1878 and in 1879 he was elected speaker of the house of representatives, and for the judicious, able and gentlemanly manner in which he discharged the onerous duties of the office, he had the warmest commendations from members of both political parties, not only doing great credit to himself, but the state at large. He has been chairman of the democratic central committee, and has always taken great interest in political matters. He is a member of the Catholic church, and is one of the trustees of St. Francis Xavier cathedral of Vincennes.

Mr. Cauthorn was married October 15, 1868, to Miss Margaret C. Bayard, daughter of John F. Bayard, a well-known merchant of Vincennes. Mr. Bayard had three sons, two of whom have reached prominent positions, and are to-day presidents of national banks at Evansville and Vincennes; one son is deceased. Mr. Cauthorn is the father of ten children, seven of whom, three sons and four daughters, are now living. He has been closely identified with the welfare and growth of Vincennes and is held in high esteem as one of the most useful and industrious citizens.

JOSEPH BIRK, the popular proprietor of the livery, feed and sale stable at Huntingburg, Dubois county, is a son of Felix and Emily (Eckert) Birk. Both parents were from Germany, and both died in America. Joseph Birk was born December 15, 1852, was reared in Dubois county, attended the common schools, and remained on a farm until 1890. He then bought and began his present business. He was married to Miss Eliza Hawkins, a

daughter of Robert Hawkins, of Dubois county. Mr. Birk is a strict member of the St. Mary's church, but Mrs. Birk does not attend. He has a fine stock of about \$7,000, and owns, beside, several farms, as well as a number of lots in the city. He has a handsome residence, is a liberal Catholic and loyal to the church, and is highly respected both as a business man and a citizen.

**J**OHNS BLANK, proprietor of the Jacob Blank, Jr., Manufacturing company of Batesville, Ind., is one of ten children born to Jacob and Martha Blank, the former of whom was from France and the latter from Germany.

John Blank was born January 6, 1848, in Indiana. He attended the common schools, at the age of twenty-one years learned his present trade, that of cabinetmaker, and with his three brothers started the present factory in 1876. Mr. Blank was married to Miss Gertie Krieg, daughter of Henry Krieg, of Cincinnati, and now has a family of twelve children, viz: Alice, Rosie, Harry, Flora, Albert, Edward, Louis, Anna, Matt, Francis, Anthony and Gertie. The family are devoted members of St. Louis church, and in politics Mr. Blank is a democrat. He and his family are highly respected in Batesville, and Mr. Blank is especially esteemed for his many excellent qualities of mind and heart.

**R**EV. JOHN BLECKMANN, pastor of Immaculate Conception church, Michigan City, Laporte county, Ind., was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, April 5, 1846, where his preparatory and classical studies were completed in 1866. He then attended Notre Dame college, Ind., from which he graduated in 1867. His theological studies were pursued at Mount St. Mary's seminary, Cincinnati, from which he was graduated in 1870, and April 27 of the same year was ordained priest by Bishop Luers, for the diocese of Fort Wayne. He held pastorates at various places until 1885, when he was appointed to his present charge at Michigan City. Under his

energetic efforts there have been manifold changes in the way of improvements, both in church management and in additions to the church property, among the latter being that of a pipe organ and new side altars. A new school-building, with a Sisters' residence, has also been erected, at a cost of \$20,000. Numerous new societies have been formed, and those already established have been maintained with ever-increasing zeal. The present church is no longer adequate for the congregation, and it is to be enlarged by an addition and a new tower.

St. Mary's academy is an admirably conducted institution, under the direct personal supervision of Father Bleckmann. It occupies a beautiful building, arranged with all conveniences, and having all the appurtenances of a first-class school, especial attention having been given to sanitation. There are eight grades, in which over 321 pupils are enrolled.

Father Bleckmann is yet in the prime of life, but he has accomplished a vast amount of good work, and many years of usefulness lie before him, with the blessing of God. He is large hearted and broad minded, is vigorous of body and strong of intellect, is pious, eloquent and scholarly, is the idol of his congregation, and is devoted to the good of the Catholic church. The school is in charge of the Sisters of Notre Dame, there being eight teachers and the Mother Pacifica. There are now nearly 400 families in this parish, of mixed nationalities. Father Bleckmann also has charge of the Catholic inmates of the state prison, where he reads mass once each month. The church is 135 x 54 feet, with a seating capacity of 500, and is valued at \$40,000, including residence; the school value is \$30,000.

MRS. HELEN F. BLOOM, widow of August Bloom, who died in 1882, is a daughter of Dr. Oscar and Ferdinand (Wiede) Hunger, the former of whom died in November, 1895, leaving his widow with six children. Mrs. Helen F. Bloom was born in Dearborn county, Ind., and was married to Mr. Bloom February 16, 1870, and is the mother of five living children, viz: Elizabeth, Almer, Carolina, Irene and Oscar.



Mr. Bloom was a groceryman in Aurora and continued in that business from his young days up to the time of his death. He served in the Thirty-second regiment, Indiana volunteer infantry, and was wounded in the battle of Chickamauga. He came home in 1865, after the war, and resumed the grocery business, which he followed, as stated, until death.

Miss Elizabeth Bloom is a first-class musician and has taught music of a high order in Cincinnati as well as at home. She is not strong, however, and, being yet very young, has preferred to teach at home. Mrs. Bloom owns property in Aurora valued at some \$5,000, and the old homestead commands a view of the finest scenery of Aurora, looking up and down the great Ohio river for miles and miles. All of the family are members of the St. Mary's church.

REV. JOHN B. BLUM, assistant pastor of St. Mary's church, Decatur, was born in Germany, November 8, 1866, his native town being Rubensheim in Rheimpfalz, kingdom of Bavaria. He was brought to the United States the year following his birth and grew to manhood at Fort Wayne, Ind., in the parochial schools of which city he received his early education, completing the prescribed course of the same when but thirteen years of age. In September, 1882, he entered St. Lawrence college, Mount Calvary, Wis., from which he was graduated in June, 1887, and in September following, began his theological studies in Mount St. Mary's seminary, Cincinnati, where he was ordained priest June 22, 1892, by Archbishop Elder. July 20, 1892, Father Blum was appointed, by Very Rev. J. H. Brammer, pastor of St. Mary's church, Frankfort, Ind., the duties of which position he discharged until 1895, from December 22d of which year, until 1896, he served as temporary pastor of St. Joseph's parish, Reynolds. In the latter year he was made assistant pastor of St. Mary's church, Decatur, in which capacity he is serving at the present time.

Father Blum is an earnest son of the church and a preacher of recognized ability. His work in Decatur has been satisfactory

to his superior and to the membership at large, and he has won many friends in Decatur, irrespective of church relations.

Father Blum's parents were Nicholas and Margaret Blum, born in Bavaria in the years 1832 and 1831, respectively, and married in their native country in 1860. By occupation Nicholas Blum is a stonemason, which trade he followed in Germany and also has followed in Fort Wayne, Ind., his present home.

**H**ON. LOUIS J. BOBILYA stands distinctively as one of the most alert and progressive business men of the city of Fort Wayne. His parents, August and Susan (Buva) Bobilya, were natives of France and were there reared to maturity, their marriage, however, being consummated in this country. In the early 'forties they emigrated to America, resided in Ohio until 1851, when they removed to Allen county, Ind., where the father devoted his attention to farming until the time of his death, which occurred when our subject was yet a mere boy. August and Susan Bobilya became the parents of five children, all of whom are living except one, Louis J. being the third child in order of birth, which took place August 9, 1857.

After the death of his father he was sent to the home of an uncle, in Defiance, Ohio, and he there remained until he had attained the age of twelve years. He was a boy of vigor and energy and was nothing loth to apply himself to active labor when the need came. Thus at the early age of twelve years he entered the employ of Frank Alderman, a dealer in agricultural implements, and remained with him five years, acquiring an excellent knowledge of the details of that line of enterprise. He next accepted a position as general agent, for the state of Indiana, of J. F. Seiberling & Company, manufacturers of the Empire mowers, reapers and binders, of Akron, Ohio. That he proved his value to this concern is manifest in the fact that he was retained in the employ of the company for fifteen years. In 1893 he formed a partnership association with R. L. Romy, and engaged in a line of enterprise which has important bearing upon the material prosperity and progress of any community—that of a successful real-estate busi-

ness under the firm name of Romy & Bobilya, in the Bank block, in Fort Wayne. The correct methods and well directed enterprise of the firm gained to them a strong hold upon the public favor, and their annual transactions reached a very notable aggregate. They dealt in both city and suburban reality, and upon their books were at all times represented most advantageous bargains and investments in farming property in Indiana and other states; they also made a specialty of extending financial loans upon real-estate security, offering to patrons such inducements as insured them a continuous support in this line. That they enjoy the confidence and respect of the public is evidenced in the extensive and representative character of their business.

For a number of years past Mr. Bobilya has taken a very active interest in political affairs and has rendered most effective service to his party, being in line as a stalwart supporter of the democratic party and its principles. His distinctive ability and his zeal in the party cause have naturally brought him recognition, and secured to him high official preferment through the suffrage of the people. In 1894 he became the candidate on the democratic ticket as representative of his district in the Indiana legislature, and as significant of his popularity stands the fact that at the ensuing election he was victorious, receiving the largest majority of any candidate on the ticket. Upon the organization of the legislative body he became the candidate of the democratic members of the house for the position of speaker and received the full vote of such members. The house, however, had a large republican majority, and, as a matter of course, he was unable to secure the honor which the democratic contingent wished to confer upon him. Mr. Bobilya served on several important committees, among which were the ways and means committee, committee on cities and towns, committee on affairs of Indianapolis, military committee, and also a special committee appointed to make an investigation concerning the schools of the capital city of the state. As a legislator our subject brought to bear that distinctive and practical ability which has conserved his success in business affairs—a mature judgment and an intuitive wisdom which could not but further the interests of his constituents and those of the state at large.

In 1896 Mr. Bobilya received the nomination for joint state senator, representing Allen and Whitley counties, and was elected by a majority of 2,200 votes, and served one term on the committees of finances, banks, congressional apportionments, and cities and towns. He resigned this position May 27, 1897, to accept the position tendered him by the county commissioners of Allen county to fill the unexpired term of the late C. W. Edsall, county auditor, and this office he has most acceptably filled since.

In his fraternal relations our subject is identified with the Knights of Pythias and the Travelers' Protective association of America, in which latter organization he was advanced to the position as president of the state branch of the association, which position he held two years. He is a man of broad intellectuality, refined sentiments and innate courtesy, and is highly esteemed in both business and social circles.

Mr. Bobilya was married in Kalamazoo, Mich., in 1893, October 2, to Mrs. Lizzie Porter, daughter of Martin Blum, formerly of St. Joe township, Allen county, and the widow of John Porter. Mrs. Bobilya was born in this county and bore one child, Harvey Porter, by her first marriage, and by her present union two children—Louis Jerome, aged three years, and Claude Matthews, aged two years. Mr. Bobilya and children reside on Lakeside, Fort Wayne, and their beautiful home is the abode of unreserved hospitality. Mrs. Bobilya died, after a lingering illness of eight months, April 27, 1898, and her mortal remains were buried in Lindenwood cemetery.

**W**ILLIAM JOSEPH CUNNINGHAM, deceased, and formerly a very prominent citizen of LaFayette, Tippecanoe county, Ind., was born in county Limerick, Ireland, September 8, 1847, and was a son of Terrence and Mary (Hastings) Cunningham, who brought their family to America in 1857 and resided in LaFayette until 1882, when they moved to Logansport, Ind., where the father passed away in 1896, and where the mother still lives, respected and venerated by all who know her.

William J. Cunningham, the third of eleven children born to



WILLIAM J. CUNNINGHAM.



the above-named parents, was but ten years of age when brought by them to America, and received his education in St. Mary's parochial school at LaFayette, which he attended until fourteen years of age, and was then employed in a hardware store for a few months; he next entered the employ of the Underwood insurance agency, where he gained a knowledge of the business, and in a short time was enabled to open a similar agency on his own account, which he conducted for three years in LaFayette, and then removed to St. Louis, Mo., where he passed eighteen months in the same vocation. Thence he went to Indianapolis, Ind., and after spending a few months there as insurance agent, was appointed deputy under Attorney-General Hord, who had just assumed his office, and retained the position until the close of Mr. Hord's incumbency, being employed as collector of delinquent taxes in Ohio and Indiana, and was thus engaged when he met his death, in July, 1887, the particulars of which will be detailed further on.

The marriage of Mr. Cunningham was solemnized in LaFayette, September 19, 1871, with Miss Mary C. Connolly, who was born in this city January 13, 1849. To the union of Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham, however, there were no children born, but otherwise the marriage was most felicitous, congenial and happy, until terminated by the tragic death of Mr. Cunningham. On Friday, July 13, 1887, Mrs. Cunningham, with two friends, Mr. and Mrs. James Duffy, went to Mount Clemens for a short visit and recreation. On Wednesday morning Mr. Cunningham, who had been attending to some business at Cleveland, joined them. In the afternoon all went out on the Clinton river, a narrow but very deep stream, about half a mile from Mount Clemens, to fish. About 5 o'clock, while they were resting at ease in the middle of the river, a steamer approached and Mr. Cunningham suggested that Mr. Duffy pull to the shore. Mr. Duffy did as directed, Mr. Cunningham acting as steersman. Just before the bank was reached the steamer passed, followed closely by a boat in tow, which was connected with the steamer by a hawser. When the small boat, containing Messrs. Duffy and Cunningham and wives, was almost upon the shore, the boat in tow, which was without a steersman, swung unexpectedly toward them. Mr. Duffy realized the danger of the party and

sprang from the boat. He did not quite reach the land, but succeeded in grasping a strong willow, to which he clung with a desperation born of the terrible danger. With his other hand he clutched and held firmly to the edge of the boat. The boat in tow came in its threatening swing, and Mr. Cunningham, seeing that it would certainly strike the small boat, sprang into water of unknown depth. The suction of the boat in tow, which passed over him just as he sank the first time, drew him far down in the water. He rose to the surface only once, and then it was impossible to reach him before he went down for the last time, never to rise until he was taken out a lifeless body.

While Mr. Cunningham was going down to death Mrs. Duffy and Mrs. Cunningham were in the deadliest peril, as well as Mr. Duffy. The boat in tow struck the small boat and swamped it, crushing the boat and its lady occupants far down in the deep water. Mr. Duffy still clung to the side of the boat near the bow, and was nearly crushed to death by the boat in tow, feeling, as he said, every muscle in his body straining. He clung to the willow and kept himself from being dragged under the boat, although he was drawn into water that reached to his neck. By a strenuous effort the ladies were rescued, more dead than alive, and resuscitated. Efforts were then made to recover the body of the unfortunate victim, and were finally successful. As soon as the body was taken from the water it was prepared for shipment to Lafayette and placed in an elegant metallic casket. When the remains arrived in Logansport, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Duffy and his sorrowed widow, his aged father, Terry Cunningham, was there to join the heartbroken party. His grief was touching. He accompanied the remains to Lafayette and his deep grief made many hearts ache in sympathy. At the depot Mr. Folckemer took charge of the remains and sympathetic friends acted as pallbearers. From the depot the casket was taken to the splendid home of the deceased on South Street heights. Here it was placed in the parlor and candles, mounted in silver candleabra, lighted. Here the widow, the sisters and the father gathered about the remains of one whom they had loved so well, and spent the pent-up grief that was weighing down their hearts. It was a touching sight—a



sight once seen, never forgotten. The body was removed from the casket and embalmed to preserve it for the obsequies, which took place Saturday, July 16. The deceased was a faithful Catholic and an active and honored member of St. Mary's church. The funeral was held at the church, Very Rev. Father Campion, of Logansport, officiating. The body was laid to rest in St. Mary's cemetery. Mr. Cunningham was an honorable business man, and through his energy and industry had secured a competency that placed his sorrowing widow far beyond the reach of want. He was a devout Catholic and a model husband, whose sad fate has left a void never to be filled.

**HENRY H. BOCKTING**, brick manufacturer at Huntingburg, Dubois county, Ind., is a son of Bernard and Elizabeth (Elfers) Bockting, natives of Germany, and was born in Dubois county, Ind., March 28, 1857; he was reared on a farm, attended the common schools, learned the brickmaking trade in his native county, and has found it to be to his best interests to continue in the business. He was married April 27, 1887, to Miss Josephine Oser, a daughter of M. Oser, and they have had three children come to bless their home, viz: Clara J., Matilda M. and Henry E. The parents are faithful members of St. Mary's church and are rearing their children in the holy Catholic faith, which has been endeared to them by the adherence to the same faith of their ancestors for generations. Mr. Bockting is a democrat in politics, and cast his first vote for Grover Cleveland.

**SEBASTIAN BOCKTING**, brick manufacturer of Huntingburg, Ind., is a son of Bernard and Elizabeth (Elfers) Bockting, natives of Germany. Sebastian was born March 12, 1863, and was reared in Dubois county, Ind., on a farm. He learned the brick-maker's trade, and at the age of twenty-four years began business for himself, and has carried on a brickyard up to this time, and also

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a clay mine, the brick production being 350,000 annually. He was married to Elizabeth Hoge, a daughter of Hammond Hoge, on November 22, 1889, and they have been blessed with five children, viz: Faron E., Joseph H., Pollie L., Robert and Garhardt S. The family are all true Catholics, and Mr. and Mrs. Bockting are very liberal in their aid to the church, living well up to its teachings and enjoying the respect of all who know them. Mr. Bockting is democratic in politics and cast his first vote for Grover Cleveland.

REV. HENRY A. BOECKELMANN, pastor of St. Vincent church at Elkhart, Ind., was born in Oster Cappeln, Hanover, Germany, March 31, 1851, and is a son of Francis and Anna (Schroeder) Boeckelmann, who had born to them a family of five children, of whom four grew to maturity, viz: Frederick, a stone-cutter, of Logansport, Ind.; Henry Aloysius, whose name opens this paragraph; Mary, wife of William T. Twomey, a shoe merchant of Goshen, Ind., and Frank, an inspector for one of the Chicago transportation boat lines on lake Michigan. The family came to the United States in 1853, and located in Logansport, where the father followed his trade of stonecutting until his death, September 20, 1882; the mother, now in her eighty-third year, is being filially cared for by her son, the Rev. Henry A., our subject.

Rev. Henry Aloysius Boeckelmann attended the parochial school in Logansport until sixteen years of age and then entered the Christian Brothers' college at St. Louis, Mo., which he attended until 1872, when he went to St. Viateur college at Bourbonnais Grove, Ill., where his theological studies were pursued until ordained, August 30, 1877, by Bishop Foley, of the diocese of Fort Wayne. He then taught the sciences in the college one year, when, July 27, 1878, he was appointed to the charge of St. John's parish, at Goshen, Ind., where he did good and faithful work until November 26, 1880, when he was transferred to the cathedral at Fort Wayne, as assistant to the bishop, and there remained until February 15, 1885, when he was appointed pastor at Delphi, Ind., the arduous duties of which office he efficiently executed until Decem-

ber 30, 1891, when he was transferred to his present responsible pastorate at Elkhart. His congregation comprises 142 families to, whose spiritual care he devotes his constant and untiring oversight. He is unusually ardent in his endeavors to advance the progress of his flock and the glory of the church.

The cemetery of St. Vincent is located a mile and a half west of the church-building, and the church property within the city limits comprises five and seven-eighths acres; the church itself is in a most prosperous condition, having grown day by day ever since the advent of Father Boeckelmann.

**D**R. JOSEPH A. BOERSIG, of Lawrenceburg, is a son of Michael and Elizabeth (Frick) Boersig. The father was from Germany, and was a cabinetmaker until his death, which occurred February 14, 1871.

Dr. Joseph A. Boersig was born June 7, 1871, was reared in New Albany, attended the common schools, and attended St. Meinrad college in 1887-8. Immediately after leaving this college, he attended the university of Louisville for three years, graduating in March, 1892. He practiced in New Albany for eighteen months, and then located in Lawrenceburg, beginning practice on his arrival. The doctor is a brother of Rev. J. Henry Boersig, of Yorkville, Ind., where his mother resides at sixty-one years of age. The doctor has nearly all of the Catholic practice of Lawrenceburg, being well read in his profession, and having had an extraordinary experience for so young a physician.

**F**REDERICK LOUIS BOGEMAN, of Shelbyville, and a son of Henry J. Bogeman, was born in Enochsburg, Franklin county, Ind., December 19, 1861, and there attended a parochial school until thirteen years old, after which he was engaged in labor work and in clerking until 1892, when he came to Shelbyville and for a year was engaged in the butcher, bakery and grocery business with

Frederick J. Broxterman, and then, in 1893, bought out the establishment, which was destroyed by fire in December, 1894. He then located at No. 64 West South street, where he has since conducted a prosperous meat market.

Mr. Bogeman was united in marriage, in Shelbyville, May 26, 1892, with Miss Carrie Schaefer, the union being now blessed with two children—Frederick Lawrence and Francis. Mr. and Mrs. Bogeman are members of St. John's church, Mrs. Bogeman being also a member of the league of the Sacred Heart. In politics Mr. Bogeman is a democrat, and while he always does his duty to his party at the polls, he does not neglect his private business for the purpose of advancing his personal interests as a politician or for self-aggrandizement. He is steady-going, honest and accommodating, and has made many friends since coming to Shelbyville.

REV. MATHIAS H. BOGEMANN, the revered pastor of St. Charles Borromeo church at Bloomington, Ind., was born at Enochsburg, Franklin county, Ind., in 1860. His parents, Heury and Elizabeth (Broxtermann) Bogeman, were natives of Hanover, Germany, and early in life came to this country, locating in Cincinnati, Ohio, where they were married, and where the father long conducted a successful merchant-tailoring business, afterward moving to Enochsburg, this state. (John Broxtermann, our subject's maternal grandfather, was the founder of the Cincinnati Ice company.) Mr. and Mrs. Bogemann reared five sons and four daughters. One of the latter is a prominent teacher in St. Francis school, at Cincinnati.

The boyhood of the subject of this notice was largely and properly given over to study and preparation for the useful life before him. He was a close student, and early displayed the powers which have made him so eminently successful in his ministerial office. He attended the parochial school in his native town until he was thirteen years of age. At this period of his life his studies were checked by ill-health, which for two years kept him out of school. At the age of fifteen he entered St. Meinrad college in

Spencer county, and began the active preparation for the ministry. For ten years he applied himself closely to the acquirement of the wide knowledge necessary for his holy calling, and his studious course received its reward. His line of preparation ceased in 1885, but his studies have never ceased, he still being a constant and attentive student of human nature and of human affairs. In the above year he was placed in orders, being ordained to the office of the priesthood, and given charge of St. Charles church at Bloomington. In his thirteen years' occupancy here Father Bogemann has displayed an unusual degree of fitness for his holy office, not only in his close relation to his flock as spiritual director of the parish, but in his none the less close relation to society as an attentive and useful man of affairs in the community; and in that time he has become widely known and universally revered as a worker of good works in the community for whose good his life has been dedicated. In addition to his arduous parochial duties, Father Bogemann finds much time for active and useful social and educational employment. For the past ten years Father Bogemann's lectures at the State university at this place have been regarded as most useful and beneficent features of the special work of that institution. His lectures display an exhaustive research into the profundities of sociology and human economics.

In addition to his lectures on moral, esthetical, religious and kindred subjects, Father Bogemann displays the versatility of his attainments by lectures on art and architecture, in both of which subjects he is deeply versed. In the latter, particularly, has he exerted himself. Taking up the study of architecture for the pure love of the subject, he pursued it privately, and succeeded so largely that he has made for himself quite a name as an architect. Many residences and business blocks in Bloomington and Bedford give veracious and present evidence of his singular ability in this line of activity. His greatest architectural work was in connection with Kirkwood hall, the stately and noble chief building of the university at this place. To him was entrusted the important labor of revising the plans and superintending the construction of this beautiful structure, and his name is perpetually identified with it. This was to him purely a labor of love, as is all his architectural work,

and he charged the state nothing for his valuable services in this connection. So excellent did his labor appear, however, upon completion, that the state would not permit his services to go wholly unrequited, and a handsome donation was presented him by the officers of the institution. His service as superintendent of construction of Kirkwood hall was by state appointment, a unique distinction to Father Bogemann, it being the first time in the history of the state for a Catholic priest to be thus favored. His relations with the State university and the faculty are of the closest and most cordial character. In addition to the lectures and services above referred to, Father Bogemann is not infrequently called upon to deliver the Baccalaureate address and sermon at that institution.

Mention must here be made of Father Bogemann's architectural skill by a reference to the beautiful church, over whose spiritual needs he presides, at Bedford. This church-edifice was built by Father Bogemann, from his own plans, in 1893. It is of rock-faced oolitic limestone, in dimensions 127x54 feet, with a tower elevation 150 feet above the sidewalk. The cost of this building was \$22,000, the total valuation of the Bedford church property being \$30,000. The beauty of this structure is so distinctive that in a public address the bishop characterized it as the second in point of architectural grace in the diocese. Father Bogemann was given pastoral charge of the church at Bedford in 1885, and is as highly regarded and as deservedly popular there as in the resident parish of Bloomington. Personally, Father Bogemann is a large-hearted, wholesome, typical man. Not only does he hold the love and veneration of his parish, but his relations with the community at large, regardless of distinctions of religious creed, are of the very pleasantest nature. He is in very intimate touch with the best interests of the community, and may be very properly termed a chief factor in its citizenship. He is intensely patriotic, broad minded and public spirited, an alert spiritual guardian of his congregation, and an active, energetic man of affairs in his secular relations with the people. Constantly going about seeking to do good, he has made the sister communities of Bloomington and Bedford his very great debtors.





*J. H. Randurand.*



REV. FREDERICK J. DANDURAND, librarian of the Catholic library at Fort Wayne, Ind., is one of the ten children born to Eli and Sophronia (Melanson) Dandurand, natives of Canada, but at present residents of Illinois.

Rev. Frederick J. was born in Illinois April 30, 1870, received his classical education at Kankakee, entered Mount St. Mary's seminary, Cincinnati, in 1892, where he completed his theological studies, was ordained at Fort Wayne, Ind., by Bishop Rademacher, June 28, 1895, and was first stationed at LaFayette, Ind., as assistant to the Very Rev. John R. Dippen, of St. Mary's church, there performed good service for a year and a half, and was then transferred to Fort Wayne, as assistant to Rev. Joseph F. Delaney, of St. Patrick's church, and July 29, 1897, was appointed to his present position as librarian, the duties of which office he has performed in a painstaking and most satisfactory manner. In June, 1897, he was appointed to the directorship of St. Augustine's academy for girls, and also assistant priest at the cathedral.

JOHN HENRY BOGEMAN, a well-known business man of Shelbyville, Ind., was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, April 13, 1854, and is the eldest brother of Rev. M. H. Bogemann, of Bloomington, Ind. John Henry attended a parochial school until fourteen years old, and then entered Herold's Business college in Cincinnati, from which he graduated in 1871. He then clerked in a bakery in his native city until 1875, when he came to Shelby county, Ind., and was employed at farm labor until 1895, when he located in Shelbyville and opened a first-class saloon in partnership with James Golden, and has also been engaged in breeding fine horses for about seven years, and in both lines of business has been very successful.

Mr. Bogeman was united in marriage in Shelby county, August 24, 1881, with Miss Anna Schaffer, who was born in Kentucky September 3, 1863, but was reared in this county by Henry H. Torline, of whom mention is made elsewhere. This union has been blessed with three children, born in the following order: Mary Adaline, Catherine Cecelia and Philomin.

Mr. Bogeman and family are members of St. Joseph's church, Mrs. Bogeman being a member of the Altar society, and are much respected within and without the pale of the church, to the support of which they are generous contributors.

EDWARD A. BOHNERT, treasurer of Dubois county, Ind., is a son of Wendolin B. and Kunigunda (Leitner) Bohnert, and was born October 5, 1862, at Jasper. His father being a farmer and blacksmith by occupation, young Bohnert was brought up to farm pursuits, which he followed during his early manhood, combining with them the operation of threshing machines. Abandoning farm life six years ago, he engaged in the milling industry with his brother, under the firm name of Bohnert Bros., the concern now owning and operating a fine roller process flouring-mill in Jasper, with a capacity of seventy-five barrels per day, in connection with which a large trade is done in the buying and selling of cloverseed, wheat, barley, and other grain. In 1894 Mr. Bohnert was nominated for the position of county treasurer on the democratic ticket, his opponent on the republican side being C. J. Hubbard. He was elected by a large majority, and at the expiration of his term, two years later, he received the nomination for the same position without opposition in the primary. His opponent for the second term was N. B. Coffman, whom he defeated by a majority of 1,682 votes.

Mr. Bohnert's administration of the treasurer's office has been characterized by ability and efficiency. He has at all times attended strictly to his official duties, and so prompt have been his yearly collections and reports that the treasurer's office of Dubois county holds the distinction of being the first each year in its settlements with the state, an honor which no other county has been able to wrest from it. Mr. Bohnert is a popular citizen of Jasper, outside of his official position, and takes rank as one of its leading residents. He is a member and trustee of the A. O. U. W., and one of the prominent members of St. Joseph's Catholic church.

Mr. Bohnert has been twice married. His first wife, to whom

he was married in 1884, was Miss Emalie Eckstein, of Jasper, whose death occurred in 1890. By her he had the following children, viz: Albert E., Robert M., Leo L. His second wife was Miss Mary Croft, who has borne him two children—Roman and Esther.

It is pleasing to add that in Mr. Bohnert the people of Dubois county have an honest, conscientious, and painstaking public officer, and that the democratic party find in him a zealous, active and effective worker in behalf of the principles of democracy.

**PAUL BONNER**, in business at No. 604 South West street, Indianapolis, with his residence at No. 906, on the same street, was born in the city of New York August 1, 1871, the only child of Paul and Annie (Carr) Bonner, the former of whom was also a native of New York city, of French descent, and the latter a native of Ireland. The father died at the comparatively early age of twenty-seven years, when the child, Paul, the subject, was but two and a half years old. At the father's death, the mother returned to Ireland, taking with her her infant son, and there remained until 1887, when they returned to New York, Paul being then sixteen years of age, and having received his education in the National schools of Ireland. In the meantime the mother married James Flynn, and now, at the age of about fifty years, resides with her husband in the Empire city.

In September, 1889, Paul Bonner came from New York to Indianapolis, and for two years was employed as a traveling salesman for a Cincinnati general merchandise house, after which he was employed as a conductor on the electric street car line, and then, January 27, 1893, opened his present place, in which he has met with abundant success, it being one of the neatest, most orderly and popular establishments in its line in the city.

Mr. Bonner was united in marriage January 17, 1893, at St. Joseph's church, by Rev. Father Alerding, to Miss Mary Dugan, of whose parents a record is given in the biography of her brother, John Dugan, to be found on another page of this volume. This union has been blessed with two children, viz: Paul, who died at

nine months old, and John Francis, who was born February 20, 1896. Mr. and Mrs. Bonner are faithful adherents of St. John's church, and are liberal contributors to its support. Mr. Bonner is a member of the Young Men's institute and of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and in politics is a democrat. He is a young man of temperate habits, good business qualifications, and is a genial companion and affable gentleman, qualities which have made him hosts of business and personal friends.

FRANK BOONE, a well-known manufacturer of cigars at Vincennes, Ind., was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, October 6, 1842, a son of Frank and Frances (Kern) Boone, both natives of Pennsylvania, of German descent. There were three children in the family. The eldest, Mrs. Josephine Ehrhardt, lives at St. Louis; Joseph W. was a slate roofer at St. Louis, where he died at the age of forty-three years of malarial fever, leaving a widow and three children. The Boones moved to St. Louis about the year 1855, where our subject grew to manhood, but learned the cigarmaker's trade at Louisville, Ky., and was thus employed at the breaking out of the Civil war. He enlisted in April, 1861, in response to the first call for troops, entering into service in Missouri, and at the battle of Camp Jackson, one of the first battles of the war, received a disabling injury and was discharged from service. This injury resulted in a right inguinal hernia, from which he has suffered all through life. Upon his discharge he returned to St. Louis, where, on December 27, 1864, he was married to Miss Amelia Millenet, a native of Vienna, who came to this country with her parents at the age of eight years. Her father, Bernhardt Millenet, is a jeweler and diamond setter of St. Louis. In 1869 they moved to Olney, Ill., where they remained until 1882, when they came to Vincennes. Here Mr. Boone worked as a journeyman cigarmaker for five years, at the end of which time he opened a factory of his own, in which enterprise he has been quite successful, establishing a large local trade, which is well based by reason of the well-known excellence and consequent popularity of

his output. His factory is at No. 506 North Second street, and he employs four or five cigarmakers.

To Mr. and Mrs. Boone have been born four children, viz: Henry Joseph, born in St. Louis, a printer and cigarmaker at Vincennes; Frank, born in Olney, Ill.; George O., born in Olney, Ill., a student; and Harvey, born in Vincennes, a student. The family's religious connection is with the St. Joseph's German Catholic church. Mr. Boone is an Ancient Odd Fellow, a member of the A. O. U. W. and the Cigarmaker's union, and politically he is a republican.

Mr. Boone's father died at Louisville, Ky., in middle life. His mother afterward married Frederick Hockwiler at Louisville, to whom she bore three children, Charles and Mary, and one who died in infancy. She died in middle life and her children reside at St. Louis.

**H**ERMAN BOOKHAGE, a prominent and highly respected dry-goods and clothing merchant of Vincennes, Ind., and an active member of St. John's parish, was born August 2, 1845, at Essen, in the grand dukedom of Albenburg, Germany, the son of Herman Henry and Bernardine (Huslage) Bookhage, both natives of the above place.

Herman Bookhage received a liberal education in the schools and colleges of his native country, and upon attaining his majority sought his fortunes in America. Attracted to Vincennes by the presence here of his maternal uncle, Theodore Huslage, he arrived in this city September 2, 1866, just one month after he had celebrated the twenty-first anniversary of his birth. He was for quite a number of years employed in the mercantile house of J. B. La Plante & Bros., and about twenty years ago entered the employ of his uncle, Mr. Huslage, in his day one of the most influential merchants in Vincennes, to whose extensive business, upon his death, our subject succeeded, and which he is still conducting with marked success.

Theodore Huslage is well remembered by the older inhabitants of Vincennes as a man of warm heart, large public spirit and great

private beneficence. He was born in Germany January 13, 1827, and when twenty years of age came to this country and established himself in the dry-goods and clothing way at Vincennes. He was ever noted for his liberality toward the church and to all enterprises, both public and private, tending to the general welfare of the community. He bestowed largely in charities and was especially indulgent toward orphanages. His good works lived after him, for in his will were many charitable bequests, among which were gifts of \$500 to each of the pastors in Vincennes; to Bishop Chatard, for the orphanage at Highland, \$1,500; to St. John's church at Vincennes, \$2,000, and liberal donations to the orphanage at Columbus, Ohio, and to a similar institution in his native country. His death occurred April 16, 1889, and his nephew, our subject, was named as the executor of his will. The extensive estate was settled satisfactorily, and the benevolent bequests faithfully executed. Mr. Bookhage then succeeded to his uncle's large mercantile business, which has been enlarged until it comprises one of the most extensive dry-goods and clothing stocks in Vincennes, ranging in value from \$20,000 to \$25,000, the store giving employment to a considerable force of clerks.

On November 5, 1875, in Vincennes, Mr. Bookhage was united in marriage with Miss Clara Delfmann, who was born in Hanover, Germany, in 1845, and came to America in 1873. They are the parents of two sons—John T., born August 10, 1876, and Louis A., born March 31, 1880. Both sons are engaged in their father's store. They were educated in St. John's parochial school, and are at present taking their finishing course under private instruction.

As far as they are aware, Mr. and Mrs. Bookhage are the only representatives of their respective families in America. They are worthy and active members of St. John's German Catholic church, of which they have been members ever since their arrival in Vincennes. Mr. Bookhage is a member of the C. K. of A., and of St. John's Benevolent society, in which latter he has always taken a prominent part, holding several terms each the offices of president, secretary and treasurer, and is now, at his own request, upon the list of honorary members.

JAMES BOURGHOLTZER, the artistic photographer of Washington, Daviess county, Ind., is a native of Ohio, was born in Portsmouth, Scioto county, October 21, 1862, and is a son of John and Caroline (Dern) Bourgholtzer, natives of Lorraine, France.

John Bourgholtzer, father of subject, was born in 1816, came to the United States in 1856, and located in Portsmouth, Ohio, where he worked in a rolling-mill until 1876, when he retired. He was bereft of his life-partner May 5, 1880, and his own death occurred December 29, 1886, both being devout members of St. Mary's Catholic congregation, Portsmouth. In politics he was a democrat, and was greatly esteemed as a useful citizen. They were parents of seven children, born in the following order: John, deceased; Mary, wife of P. Petry, of Ohio; Phillopæna, deceased; Martin, deceased; William, living in Portsmouth; James, the subject of this sketch, and Francis, deceased.

James Bourgholtzer attended the parochial schools of Portsmouth, Ohio, until seventeen years of age, then attended St. Vincent abbey, Westmoreland county, Penn., two years, and on his return to Portsmouth began learning photography with J. N. Lutz, with whom he remained seven and one-half years; he then went to Cincinnati, where he was employed in a gallery for a year, and thence came to Washington, succeeded S. H. Wickhiser in business, and here has made an indubitable success. In 1891 he built his present magnificent photograph gallery on Main street. It is richly furnished, and is as well equipped as any art gallery in the state. Perfect in all its arrangements and decorations, and first class in all that pertains to pictures, the very latest styles of photos are made by him, and "you can almost hear the little things talk," is often said of Bourgholtzer's baby pictures. His reputation as a photographer is established, and Mr. Bourgholtzer is not only a photographer but an artist, and that is the secret of successful photography. His crayon work is greatly sought after by the people and never fails to give satisfaction. He has recently put in a flash-light machine, and is now prepared to make pictures of parlor parties, interior of stores or dwellings and family circles in the home. With this machine, pictures can be made anywhere, by day or night.

The marriage of Mr. Bourgholtzer took place in Washington, Ind., September 6, 1888, to Miss Abigail Spencer, a native of Springfield, Ill., and a daughter of George and Marion (Hill) Spencer. This marriage has been blessed with four children—John, Spencer, Marion Cecele and Harold. The parents are members of St. Simon's Catholic congregation, and Mr. Bourgholtzer is also a member of the Young Men's institute. He has been very prosperous, and beside his business property owns four lots and residences in the city, and he and wife stand high in both social and church circles.

REV. JOSEPH F. DELANEY, pastor of St. Patrick's church, Fort Wayne, Ind., was born in Thompsonville, Conn., January 15, 1860, and is son of John and Mary (Conerty) Delaney, the former of whom was a baker by trade, and was called from earth July 13, 1885, his wife having passed away December 21, 1866, both in the faith of the holy Catholic church, and the parents of seven children.

Rev. Joseph F. Delaney attended the parochial schools of his native city until sixteen years of age, and then entered the seminary of Our Lady of Angels, at Suspension Bridge, N. Y., from which he graduated at the age of twenty-four years. He completed his theological course at St. Vincent's, Pa., graduated in 1887, and was ordained at the cathedral in Fort Wayne, Ind., June 29, 1887, by Rt. Rev. Bishop Dwenger. Father Delaney read his first mass at Thompsonville, Conn., July 3, 1887, and August 15, 1887, was appointed assistant at the Fort Wayne cathedral, where he officiated until November 27, 1889, when he was appointed to the pastorate of the new parish of St. Patrick, to succeed Rev. Father O'Leary, who died October 24, 1889.

Rev. Father Delaney has exhibited much zeal and energy since assuming the duties of his present charge, and within two years after his appointment had purchased six lots and had completed the erection of the church-edifice, school-house and parochial residence, at a cost of about \$8,500. His congregation numbers about 400 families, and the school attendance is about







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ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH.  
FORT WAYNE, IND.



450 pupils, under charge of ten Sisters of Providence, who train the children through eight lower grades, after which they are advanced to the higher grades, in charge of the Brothers.

Father Delaney is pious, eloquent, scholarly and affable, and is untiring in his labors for the welfare of his parishioners, by whom he is beloved with all that affection which the true Catholic knows so well how to bestow on a devoted pastor.

**P**ATRICK BOWEN, who resides with his family at No. 832 English avenue, Indianapolis, has been a resident of the state of Indiana since 1852. He was born in county Galway, Ireland, February 13, 1829, and remained in his native land until he was twenty-three years of age, when he came to the United States. His sister, Bridget Mullen, had come across the sea two years before, and she now lives with a daughter at Ogden, Henry county, Ind. A brother of Mr. Bowen, named Thomas, came over several years later, and is now a resident of Knightstown, in the same county. These two and Patrick, the subject of this sketch, are the only members of the family that have emigrated to the United States.

Patrick Bowen was married in Indianapolis by the Rev Father Besoinés, October 2, 1859, to Miss Nora Cleary, a native of county Limerick, Ireland, and a daughter of Patrick Cleary, whose family were among the early Catholic residents of Indianapolis. After his marriage Mr. Bowen lived in Wayne county, Ind., and later in Henry county, Ind., and was for some time engaged in railroading, but later purchased a farm on which he lived until the spring of 1897, when he removed to Indianapolis, where he has since resided. Mr. and Mrs. Bowen are the parents of eleven children, of whom six still survive. David, the eldest of the six, is superintendent of schools at Fort Scott, Kans.; Catherine is an attendant at the asylum for the insane in Indianapolis; Walter is agent for the Metropolitan Insurance company. The others are Mary, John and Gertie. The children that have died, died in early childhood, with the exception of one son, James, who grew

to manhood, learned the trade of machinist, and died December 27, 1896. He was a most worthy young man, well liked by every one, and his early death was the cause of great regret. Mr. Bowen and family are highly esteemed members of St. Patrick's parish, and possess the confidence of all that know them.

MRS. MARY A. BRADLEY, a highly-esteemed resident of Van Buren township, Daviess county, Ind., was born near Philadelphia, Pa., February 18, 1828, and is the eldest of the four children—one son and three daughters—born to Thomas and Margaret (Wade) Windstandley. The father was a machinist by occupation, and about 1842 came to Indiana and settled in Martin county, where he early lost his wife, and where his own death occurred in December, 1872, in the faith of the Catholic church, of which he and wife had been life-long members.

Mary A. Windstandley was a girl of thirteen years when she came to Martin county with her parents. She was educated in the primitive log school-house of the then wild country, and at the age of twenty-two years was confirmed in the Catholic faith by Bishop de St. Palais. About the year 1853 she was united in marriage by Father La Franc with James Bradley, and this union was blessed with five sons and six daughters, of whom six are still living, viz: James C., a farmer of Van Buren township, a married man and in politics a democrat; Thomas J., who was educated at Bardstown, Ky., is a carpenter by occupation, and resides in Greeley Center, Nebr.; Peter J., who is married and is a resident of Van Buren township; Frank P., who still lives with his mother; Mary, wife of James Dunn, a farmer of Van Buren township, and Catherine A., with her mother. The children still at home, like their mother, are devoted members of St. Mary's congregation, and are never behindhand in their contributions to its support. They are largely instrumental in causing the erection of the present church and parsonage, in this parish, and are ever forward in promoting the good work of their pastor, Rev. John McCabe.

James Bradley, the deceased husband of Mrs. Mary A., was

always an industrious man, worked his way through life by his personal energy, and eventually acquired an estate of 200 acres of good farming land in Van Buren township. He was a strong pillar of the Catholic church and died in the faith in February, 1891, honored by all who knew him. Mrs. Bradley has many warm friends who hold her in the highest esteem, and is passing her declining years in peace on the old homestead, where her children, Frank and Catherine, pay her every filial attention and smooth away the cares and asperities of fading life.

GEORGE P. BOWER, the leading furniture dealer and undertaker of Tipton, Ind., was born in this city June 28, 1864, and is a son of John and Catherine (Swartz) Bower, whose biography appears in the sketch of Frank J. Bower, on another page. George P. Bower was educated in the parochial schools of Tipton, and also attended one term at St. Meinrad, and was still a small boy when sent to Kokomo to assist in the altar services, and was also the first boy to assist in serving mass in Tipton. His first business experience was as clerk in a drug store, which calling he followed eighteen years, when his health became impaired, when he relinquished clerking, and in 1893 purchased an interest in the furniture and undertaking business already being conducted by S. G. Young, and the firm has since stood as Young & Bower—the most extensive in its line in Tipton.

In 1893, Mr. Bower was united in marriage with Miss Innies Burgess, daughter of Alexander Burgess, a business man of Arcadia, Ind., of which place Mrs. Bower is a native. Mr. and Mrs. Bower are members of St. John the Baptist congregation, and Mr. Bower is a member of St. John Benevolent society and of the C. B. L., is liberal in his contributions to the support of the church and active in the work of its sodalities. He takes a lively interest in local politics, having been reared a democrat, but never having been an aspirant to public office. His residence on South Main street was the former home of his parents, and here he and wife enjoy the society of a large circle of warm and sincere friends.

JOHN LOUIS BOUVY, the expert tinner and coppersmith, residing at No. 825 Prospect street, Indianapolis, was born in Montarmire, department of Ardennes, France, June 24, 1854, a son of Adrian and Eugenie (Bienfait) Bouvy, the former a native of Belgium, and the latter of Montarmire, France, where their marriage took place in 1853, the former having been born January 18, 1824, and the latter February 2, 1836.

Adrian Bouvy came to America in May, 1854, and two years after his arrival on this continent settled in Indianapolis, where he passed the remainder of his life. In 1858, his wife, his mother-in-law, and his son, John Louis, the subject of this memoir, followed the father and reached Indianapolis November 22, 1859. In this city two daughters and one son were added to the family, and these were named, in order of birth, Julius Henry, Marie Philomena and Elizabeth Frances—the two daughters being now Mrs. Maria Jasper and Mrs. Elizabeth Newmeister of this city. The two brothers, John Louis and Julius Henry, learned their trade under their father, who operated a tinsmith and coppersmith shop on Virginia avenue from 1868 until his death, February 21, 1891, the death of his wife following November 1, 1894, both being most devoted Catholics.

John Louis Bouvy was educated in the parochial schools of St. Patrick's (then St. Peter's) parish, and the public schools of Indianapolis, and then served his apprenticeship in his father's shop. January 15, 1880, he married Miss Johanna Sullivan, a native of Bellefontaine, Ohio, born January 12, 1860, a daughter Daniel and Johanna (Malvey) Sullivan, natives of Ireland, probably of county Kerry, of which county it is sure her mother was a native. Of the family of two sons and three daughters born to Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan, only two of the latter are now living—Mrs. Bouvy and Mrs. Julia Gregg. Mr. Sullivan died many years ago, after which event Mrs. Sullivan was married to a Mr. Hayes, but is again a widow, and, at the age of about seventy years, resides at the old home in Bellefontaine, where her daughter, Mrs. Gregg, also makes her home.

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Bouvy took place in St. John's church, and the ceremony was performed by the Very Rev. Father



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Bessonies. Six children have resulted from this union, viz: Marie Eugenia, born May 6, 1882—died July 18, 1888; Leona Josephine, born June 12, 1885—died June 2, 1887; Elizabeth Lorena, born October 4, 1887; Mary Madalene, born October 22, 1890; Josephine, born August 31, 1893, and one who died in infancy.

Mr. Bouvy is a master of his trade, and has had an extended experience, as is shown by the following record: In 1873, on leaving the parental roof, he entered the employ of the Bee Line Railway company and did the tin and copper work on the engines and cars until 1875; then for three or four years was employed at the Atlas works, both at Indianapolis and at Anderson, Ind.; from March 22, 1881, until August 22, he worked for the I., D. & S. Railway company, and for the following ten years was foreman of the tin and copper work of the L. & N. Railroad company at Louisville, Ky., and was then transferred to Birmingham, Ala.; in 1893 he brought his family again to Indianapolis, and has since had charge of the tin and copper shops of the Big Four company on Dillon street.

Mr. Bouvy and family are members of St. Patrick's congregation, the children also attending its parochial schools, while Mr. Bouvy is member of the Young Men's institute. In the fall of 1882 he became a member of the Catholic Knights of America, in which he held the offices of vice-president and trustee, and he is altogether useful and highly respected citizen.

JAMES R. BRADLEY, formerly a member of St. Peter's congregation at Montgomery, but now a prominent member of St. Patrick's church, is a native of Daviess county, Ind., was born July 22, 1855, and is a son of Francis and Ann (Kelly) Bradley, who were natives of Ireland, but are now deceased. They settled in Daviess county about 1843 and had a family of three sons and five daughters, all of whom were confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais, but of whom there are only five now surviving.

James R. Bradley was reared on his father's farm in Daviess county and was confirmed at the age of fifteen years. He has

given a great deal of attention to stock-raising as well as farming, his homestead comprising 100 acres of excellent land in Barr township, and has been very successful in all his undertakings. He is a staunch democrat in politics and cast his first presidential vote for Samuel J. Tilden in 1876, but has never himself been a seeker after public office of any sort. As a member of St. Patrick's church he is free in his contributions toward its support and faithful to his religious duties. As a citizen he is public-spirited, is highly respected, and is classed among the well-to-do residents of his township.

**WILLIAM BRADLEY.**—Few, if any, of the citizens of Indianapolis are more worthy of a place in a work of this kind than is the subject of this sketch. An honest and industrious man, he is favorably thought of by all, and he is perhaps at the present time the oldest Catholic resident of the parish of St. Patrick, for he came here in 1855. He resides with his family at No. 609 Buchanan street, where he located in 1868. He was born in the village of Waterville, county Kerry, Ireland, June 28, 1828. His father died many years ago, and his mother survived until December 7, 1896, when she expired at the advanced age of one hundred years and nine months.

William Bradley and his youngest brother, John, who lives in Australia, are the only surviving members of the family. The former came to the United States from his native country when he was about twenty-four years of age, went first to the state of Connecticut, and shortly afterward to Cayuga county, N. Y., where he worked on a farm and where he married Mary Sullivan, who was born in the village of Sneem, Kerry county, Ireland. On February 17, 1855, he and his wife arrived in Indianapolis. Mr. Bradley immediately engaging in farm work. Since 1862 he has been continuously in the service of Smith's brewery and its successor, the Indianapolis Brewing company. The wife who came with him from the state of New York died in 1863. By her he had four children, only one of whom survives, three dying in early life. The one that still lives is named William. Six years after the

death of his first wife he married Julia Courtney, his present wife, by whom he has three children, viz: Michael Edward, George F. and Richard P. The entire family are consistent and faithful Catholics, and are good citizens. Michael Edward is a letter carrier of the city of Indianapolis, and a member of the choir of St. Patrick's church. During his residence in Indianapolis of forty-three years Mr. Bradley has ever been regarded as an upright and worthy man and citizen.

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**PATRICK BREEN**, a familiar personage in the city of Vincennes, Ind., and a trusted watchman for the B. & O. S. W. Railroad company, has had a varied and interesting life's experience, and a record of twenty-two years active service in the United States army, a full recital of which and its countless attendant thrilling incidents would make in itself an interesting volume. He is an adopted son of the country in whose service he has endured so many hardships, being born in county Kerry, Ireland, February 20, 1840. When eleven years old he came to America, joining his parents at New York city, whither they had preceded him, and he was for some time employed as call-boy in a large metropolitan hotel. He afterward worked as a farm hand, and in 1855 joined the United States army as a musician in general service, and was stationed at Governor's island. It may be said that our soldier was a great and a notable fifer. He was in the recruiting service at Trenton, N. J., and Syracuse, N. Y., for two years, and in 1859 was attached to company C, Second United States infantry, stationed at Fort Ripley. After a couple of years of frontier service this company was ordered to Chambersburg, Pa., to report to Gen. Patterson. Here he re-enlisted for five years. After the battle of Bull Run and actual warfare had begun he voluntarily requested to be relieved from musician's duty and to be given a musket. This request was granted, and he was appointed a non-commissioned officer in company C, Second United States infantry. All of his Civil war experience was with the army of the Potomac, and he was a participant in all the principal engagements of that illustrious army, beginning

with Bull Run, then Yorktown, Gaines' Mills, Chickahominy Swamp, Malvern Hill, second Bull Run, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville (where our soldier was color guard), Gettysburg, (where he was severely wounded), Rappahannock, the three days in the Wilderness, Spottsylvania and Cold Harbor. Here the regiment was so depleted that the remnant of the Second was constituted headquarters guard of the Second division, serving in this capacity until December, 1864. It was then sent to Elmyra, N. Y., to guard the rebel prisoners, of whom there were ten thousand. Our veteran re-enlisted in 1864, and was made orderly-sergeant of his compaay, and after the close of the war was on guard duty at Rochester and Fort Hamilton until the fall of 1865, when he was sent to Louisville, Ky., on reconstructive service. He remained in Kentucky four years, election riots, moonshiners and the ku-klux requiring the presence of troops. In 1869 the Second was sent to Atlanta, Ga., for consolidation with the Sixteenth United States infantry, and our soldier's company was stationed at Montgomery, Ala., where he remained until 1871, when he was promoted to the office of ordnance sergeant, on the non-commissioned staff of the army. He was given charge of the ordnance supplies at Fort St. Philip, on the left bank of the Mississippi river, an onerous and responsible position. Here he remained several years, and then, feeling the weight of advancing years and the continual wear of twenty-two years of army service, resigned in 1877 and was discharged. In May of that year he located in Vincennes, coming up the river from New Orleans. Upon his arrival here Mr. Breen was employed by the O. & M. Railway company as night watchman with police powers. For twelve years he held this position and for the past eight years has occupied the position he now holds. He is an ardent republican and takes a great interest in local politics, frequently holding precinct offices. He is a member of Jeff C. Davis post, G. A. R., of which he is past post commander. Though deprived of early educational advantages, Mr. Breen has been a close observer and constant reader, and is clearly and intelligently posted on current affairs.

Mr. Breen was married in Louisville, Ky., January 10, 1865, to Miss Mary Charlotte Fine, a native of St. Louis, who followed





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him through all the changes and vicissitudes of camp life. Their first child, Mary Rosanna (Mrs. F. M. Smith, of Indianapolis), was born at Montgomery, Ala.; Walter Patrick, now a clerk in the office of the C. & N. W. Ry., at Chicago, was born at Atlanta, Ga.; John J., a prominent attorney at Vincennes, was born at Fort St. Philip, La.; Margaret, born in the same place, died in infancy; Clara Frances and Harry J., students in the city high school, were born in Vincennes. Mr. Breen's family is warmly attached to the Catholic church, and during his army life he was zealous in his labors for Christianity, and was often instrumental in securing religious services in the field where a man of less zeal would have despaired of accomplishing this good.

REV. C. J. CONRAD, pastor of St. Ambrose's church, at Seymour, Ind., is one of five children born to Bernard Conrad and Scholastica (Keller) Conrad, natives of Germany, who immigrated separately to this country and were married at Louisville, Ky., in 1852. Rev. C. J. Conrad was born in Nashville, Tenn., November 19, 1855, and at the age of fourteen began to study for the ministry; after having completed his classical, philosophical and theological courses, involving a term of nine years' duration, he was elevated to the priesthood September 22, 1878, by Bishop Chatard, and said his first mass in North Madison, Ind., October 6, 1878. He was first placed in charge in Warrick county, Ind., embracing the three missions of St. John, Newburg and Booneville, at which latter place he erected a handsome brick church at a cost of \$6,000, free of all indebtedness, the congregation numbering only fifteen families. He remained at that point nine years, after which he was transferred to his present congregation in Seymour, taking charge November 10, 1887, and this consists of over 140 families.

JOHN BRANNON, general grocer, at Aurora, Dearborn county, Ind., is a son of Julius and Mary (Maloney) Brannon, natives of Ireland, who came to the United States in 1852. The father is living, but the mother died in October, 1892.

John Brannon, the subject, was born in Aurora June 7, 1858, attended the common schools until eighteen years old, and then learned the molder's trade, at which he worked for five years. He then went into the grocery business, in which he has continued ever since, and carries a stock valued at \$1,500 or \$2,000. Mr. Brannon was married May 9, 1882, by Rev. Father Hunt, to Anna C. Karrigan, a daughter of Thomas Karrigan, of Aurora, and both are members of St. Mary's church. Mr. Brannon is a member of a Knights of Pythias lodge, having secured the permission of Bishop Chatard to become a member of this order. Mr. Brannon has made a success of life, and to-day stands with the foremost of the retail grocers of America.

**W**ILLIAM P. BREEN, an eminent lawyer of Fort Wayne, Ind., was born in Terre Haute, in the same state, February 13, 1859, the only child of James and Margaret (Dunne) Breen, natives of Ireland, the former of whom was born in 1820, and the latter in 1818. The parents came to the United States in 1840, remained five years in one of the eastern states, then came to Indiana, lived in Terre Haute until 1865, when they came to Fort Wayne, where the father built up a successful mercantile trade and became an influential citizen. For several years he was a member of the city council, and at the time of his death, which occurred in 1883, was a member of the board of waterworks trustees. The widow survived five years longer, and both died sincere Catholics.

William P. Breen acquired his preliminary education in the school maintained in Fort Wayne by the Brothers of the Roman Catholic church, and supplemented this by entering the university of Notre Dame, near South Bend, from which he graduated in 1877. He had in the meantime determined upon the vocation which he should follow as his life work—the profession of law—and in order to fit himself for his calling entered, in the fall of the same year, the office of Coombs, Morris & Bell, at that time one of the leading law firms in Fort Wayne, and in May, 1879, secured admission to the bar. In September of the same year he entered upon the practice of his profession, being only twenty



years of age at the time. From the start he was associated with Judge Warren H. Withers, and this partnership continued without interruption until the death of the latter, on the 15th of November, 1882. After the death of Judge Withers, Mr. Breen continued an individual practice until 1893, when a copartnership was formed between himself and John Morris, Jr., an able young attorney and the son of Hon. Judge John Morris, one of the most venerable and most distinguished members of the Indiana bar, and one who has for many years been an honored resident of Fort Wayne.

In active practice Mr. Breen is eminently a man of resources. Always a student, careful in the preparation of cases, and always quick to see and to anticipate difficulties which are or may be encountered, he has been enabled to so shape his cause as to avoid them. Strong and forceful in his presentation of his cases, he has gained the good will and commendation of both his confreres and the public, retaining his reputation among men for integrity and high character and never losing that true dignity which is the birthright of a gentleman.

In his political adherency Mr. Breen is actively identified with the democratic party, of whose principles and policies he is an earnest advocate, though never a seeker for political preferment. In religion he clings to the faith of his fathers and is a devoted communicant of the Roman Catholic church.

The marriage of Mr. Breen was solemnized on the 27th of May, 1884, when he was united to Miss Odelia Phillips, of Fort Wayne. She was born March 13, 1859, a daughter of Bernard Phillips, who was long a respected resident of this city.

**M**ICHAEL W. BREGER, president of the common council of Evansville, Ind., was born in this city September 9, 1861, and is a son of John and Rosine Breger, natives of Alsace-Lorraine, Germany. He was educated in the parochial school of the Holy Trinity church of Evansville, and still lives at the same city in which he was born, at No. 19 East Delaware street. Mr. Breger

early shifted for himself, and, without the advantages enjoyed by some, forged his way forward, year by year, until he became foreman and designer for the Evansville Furniture company. He held that important position for ten years, at the end of which time he had saved enough of his earnings to take an interest in a similar business himself. In 1890, five employees of the above company organized under the name of the Specialty Furniture company. With their practical knowledge, in addition to careful management, they have built up a handsome trade, occupying a large two-story brick building on Walker street. Mr. Breger is president of the company. He is a man of fine judgment, quick to appreciate and direct affairs through any emergency. These are the qualities which largely make up the leader and which have brought Mr. Breger to the front.

October 16, 1887, Mr. Breger married Miss Elizabeth Steinhäuser, who was born in Jasper, Ind., September 6, 1864, a daughter of Anton and Mary Steinhäuser, and this happy union has been blessed with two children—Michael and William. The family are members of St. Anthony's church, and fraternally Mr. Breger is a member of the Men's society of the parish, and was a charter member of the first commandery of the Knights of St. John of Evansville, and, with his family, is a true Catholic.

Politically Mr. Breger is prominent as a democrat, and has been successful in three, out of four, races for membership of the city council, the result being that he is now its president. He has also served frequently as president, or secretary, of the democratic clubs of his ward, and in every position he has filled has given the utmost satisfaction to all concerned.

CHARLES A. BREHMER, a well-known architect of South Bend, Ind., was born in Glencoe, Cook county, Ill., September 23, 1860, a son of Charles A. and Mary A. (Uthe) Brehmer. Charles A. Brehmer, Sr., was manager for an eastern syndicate of capitalists, who were handling lumber, etc., in northern Michigan, and in 1862 Mr. Brehmer removed from Glencoe, Ill., to Bay City, Mich., where he resided until death.

Charles A. Brehmer attended the public schools of Bay City until sixteen years of age, then came to Indiana and entered the university of Notre Dame, in St. Joseph county, where he pursued his studies until he reached his majority, including a course in the Industrial school. After graduation he returned to Bay City, where he was employed as general manager for James Scherer, capitalist, with whom he remained two years, and in 1883 returned to Indiana, located in South Bend, and for three years was engaged in contracting, when he opened an office on his own account, which he conducted until 1894, when he went to Evansville, Ind., and entered into partnership with Clifford Shopbell, for the purpose of designing, drafting and doing general architectural work until November 1, 1897, when he returned to South Bend, Ind., and opened an office for the practice of architecture in all its branches.

Mr. Brehmer was united in marriage, at South Bend, January 16, 1882, with Miss Mary A. Reiley, who was born in that city July 12, 1863, and to this union have been born ten children, viz: Charles E., Gertrude Mary, Olivia Mary, Mary, Louis J., John B., Genevieve, Francis (deceased), Marguerite and Catherine. The family are members of the St. Joseph church, and Mr. Brehmer is very active in promoting its good work. He is a member of the Young Men's institute, No. 466; is a member of the Knights of St. John and is post commander of the Knights of Maccabees. Mr. Brehmer is very liberal in his donations to the parish, and stands very high in the esteem of the general public. He owns residence property in the city of South Bend, and other real estate, and has been prosperous in his profession, making a specialty of churches, schools and buildings for religious purposes, for which his natural gifts and education so well qualify him.

**H**ENRY HERMAN BREMERKAMP was born December 30, 1853, in Decatur, Ind., a son of John Henry and Magdaline Bremerkamp. The father was born in 1803 in Oldenburg, Germany, and there learned the tailor's trade, which he followed in his native country and for some time after becoming a citizen of

the United States. He came to America in 1839, landing in New Orleans, and proceeded thence to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he remained several years. In 1848 he became a resident of Decatur, Ind., which city he made his home the rest of his life, dying here November 11, 1868. He was married April 5, 1853, to Mrs. Magdaline (Hartman) Klaphake, a native of Hanover, Germany, born in Aulgramisson parish, December 17, 1822. Mrs. Bremerkamp was brought to the United States by her parents when fourteen years of age and spent the fourteen succeeding years in the city of New York. She came to Decatur, Ind., in 1849, and is still making this city her home. She was first married in New York city, in 1838, to Garret Klaphake, by whom she had the following children: Henry, deceased; Alpheus, deceased; Joseph, deceased, and Mary, who married Jacob Fullenkamp, of Decatur. By her marriage with John Henry Bremerkamp she had three children: Henry Herman, Magdaline, wife of Ulrich Dinninger, and Catherine, who became the wife of E. X. Ehinger.

John Henry Bremerkamp, was one of the early Catholics of Decatur and took an active interest in the church, contributing liberally of his means to promote the same and donating the lot upon which the first house of worship was erected. He lived a life of faith, never swerved in his loyalty to the church, and did much in a quiet way to advance the material welfare of the community in which he resided.

Henry Herman Bremerkamp, the leading facts of whose life are here set forth, was educated in public and parochial schools of Decatur and St. Vincent's college, Westmoreland county, Pa. By reason of the death of his father, he was obliged to discontinue his studies and assist his mother in the store, where he remained until 1871, and then engaged in business for himself, handling butter, eggs and general produce, for a period of about three years. In 1874 he engaged in business on his own account in Decatur, buying grain and seeds for the eastern markets, and followed the same until 1881, when he again entered his mother's store, and for three years assisted her in carrying on her business. In 1884 he purchased the Fornax Buhr mills, which he has since operated, manufacturing flour for the local and general trades, and is doing

a very satisfactory business. Mr. Bremerkamp has been six times elected treasurer of Decatur, which fact demonstrates his popularity with the people of the city. He is a charter member of St. Aloysius society, belongs to the C. B. L., also to the Knights of St. John, and for several years he has served as trustee of St. Mary's church, of which he is a devoted member.

January 9, 1879, in Decatur, Ind., was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Bremerkamp and Barbara Klueber, the ceremony being performed by Father Wemhoff and Father Neusbaum. Mr. and Mrs. Bremerkamp have had a family of seven children, named as follows: Addie (deceased), Anselm A., Otto, Raymond, Stella Mary, Clarence and Eugene.

**W**ILLIAM HENRY BRENNAN, foreman for the Atkins Saw works of Indianapolis, is a native of Hamilton, Ohio, was born August 8, 1855, and is a son of Roger and Anna Brennan, natives of county Roscommon, Ireland, who came to America when single and were married in Hamilton, Ohio, 1850.

Roger Brennan is a contractor in hydraulic work, and has resided in Hamilton since 1847. To his marriage there have been born nine children, in the following order: Daniel, who is a railroad employee, is unmarried, and resides in Indianapolis; William Henry is the subject of this notice; Mary, unmarried, lives in Dayton, Ohio; Luke is a constable of Hamilton; Anna also resides in Hamilton, and is unmarried; Roger, Jr., is a carpenter in Chicago, Ill.; John, of Hamilton, is a printer and is married; James, an iron-molder, lives in the same city, and Joseph, unmarried, is a machinist in Indianapolis. The father has been very successful in life and has been very fortunate in rearing his family, all having escaped serious disease and the youngest being now twenty-five years of age.

William H. Brennan began his apprenticeship at saw making in his native city, but in 1872 the factory was removed to Cincinnati, Mr. Brennan accompanying it, and there he remained until 1878, when he came to Indianapolis and entered the employ of E.

C. Atkins & Co., for whom he worked nine years as journeyman, and was then appointed inspector of saws, which is a responsible position, as to him is intrusted the final examination of the implements, as to workmanship, temper and finish.

November 24, 1880, Mr. Brennan was united in marriage, at St. Joseph's church, Indianapolis, by Rev. Father Alerding, to Miss Mary Curran, a native of this city and a daughter of John and Johanna Curran, natives of county Kerry, Ireland. Mrs. Brennan is a highly educated lady, being a graduate of St. John's academy, while her husband received his education in the public schools at Hamilton, Ohio. Their union has been blessed with four children, viz: Catherine, Mary Clara, Alice and William R., who are now aged, respectively, fifteen, fourteen, twelve and seven years, all attending school—the second daughter at the city high school, and the others at the parochial schools of their parish. The family are members of St. John's church, and liberal in their contributions to its support. In politics Mr. Brennan is a democrat, but has never been an office seeker. His residence is at No. 536 South Senate avenue.

**M**AURICE DONNELLY, a well-known citizen, ex-county recorder of Marion county, Ind., and residing at No. 1544 Pleasant street, Indianapolis, was born in county Kerry, Ireland, where, when a child, he lost his father, and where, but recently, his mother died—both being sincere Catholics of parish Killury. There were four sons and four daughters born to these parents, of whom Maurice alone came to America. One son had been educated for the church, but later decided to adopt medicine as his life-work, and is now a prominent physician at Liverpool, England. The other two sons and four daughters retain their residence in Ireland.

Maurice Donnelly was possessed of a somewhat adventurous spirit in youth, and at the age of fifteen years departed from the parental roof and went to Lancashire, England, where a cousin resided, at a distance of about thirty miles from Liverpool. At his cousin's home and in its vicinity he passed seven years, when he



Maurice Donnelly





returned to his native land, but remained a short time only. He then went to Liverpool, but after a brief stay sailed for New York, whence, shortly after arrival, in 1883, he proceeded to Chicago, Ill., and then came to Indianapolis, reaching this city in August, 1884. Here he was united in marriage with Miss Sarah McCarthy, whose relatives are residents of St. Patrick's parish, and this marriage has been blessed with two children, Eileen and Maurice C.—the former born February 1, 1894, the latter January 23, 1898.

Mr. Donnelly is an excellent man of business, and in 1891 became manager of the Indianapolis branch of the Terre Haute Brewing company, a position he still fills to the satisfaction of all concerned. He also owns a rice plantation in Vermillion parish, La., beside other interests in the south, over which he keeps a business-like supervision.

In politics Mr. Donnelly is an active democrat, and in November, 1893, was appointed county recorder of Marion county, to fill out the unexpired term of Peter Carson, and for one year performed the functions pertaining to the office in a most acceptable manner. Mr. Donnelly was formerly a member of St. John's parish, in which he resided from 1884 until 1894, when he became a member of Father O'Donaghue's parish (St. Patrick's), of which he is still a prominent resident. Mr. Donnelly is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and of Capital council, No. 276, Young Men's institute, is a gentleman of culture, and stands very high in both social and business circles.

JAMES A. BRENNAN, deputy sheriff of Montgomery county, Ind., was born in Crawfordsville January 3, 1863, and is a son of Patrick and Ellen (Thompson) Brennan, highly respected Catholic residents of this city. Here James A. attended the public schools until 1882 (graduating in that year), and later entered Wabash college. After leaving this institution of learning he was engaged in the grocery business in Crawfordsville for a short time, was then appointed deputy postmaster, in which capacity he served four years, and was then appointed to his present office of deputy

sheriff of Montgomery county, being in politics an earnest democrat. He is a charter member of Father Dennen commandery, No. 202, Knights of St. John, in which order he has served as recording secretary and trustee, and of which he was elected president January 1, 1897.

Mr. Brennan was united in the holy bonds of matrimony, in 1894, with Miss Nora Kelly, daughter of William Kelly, a well-known citizen of Crawfordsville, and this union has been blessed with two children—Henry and Robert. Mr. and Mrs. Brennan are faithful members of St. Bernard's congregation and freely contribute of their means to the support of the church and the promotion of its good work. Mr. Brennan has filled his every position with ability and faithful attention to the duties required of him, and is very popular with all classes of citizens, Catholic and Protestant alike.

HON. MATTHEW LALOR BRETT (deceased) was born January 5, 1823, in Edgefield county, S. C., and was the eldest son of seven children born to Patrick M. and Mary (Lalor) Brett. The parents of our subject were born on the Emerald isle, and came to this country about the year 1820, immediately after their marriage. They located in South Carolina, where they remained until 1830, when they came to Daviess county, Ind. Patrick Brett was a lawyer and teacher and was quite a prominent personage in the early history of Daviess county, and held important offices of responsibility and trust. He was a large personal factor in the early days of the development of this county, and his memory is ever yet regarded very highly by the few remaining old-timers who still live as witnesses of that period of early struggles. His death occurred in 1844, while he was holding the office of county auditor; the mother survived for many years, dying in 1868.

Matthew L. Brett was reared on the old home farm, where his widow now resides. His early education was, of necessity, somewhat limited, as his help was much needed, even at a tender age, in developing the new home. Though he was twenty-one years of age at the time of his father's death, so great was the trust reposed

in him in the community that he easily succeeded his father to the office of county auditor, which office he held for fifteen years successively. In connection with his efficient duties he kept up the farm and also carried on milling and merchandizing to some extent. In 1860 he was elected to serve his district in the state legislature, and acted in both the regular and special sessions. For two years he acted on the special legislature committee appointed for the purpose of auditing the expense incurred by the state during the war. In 1862 his name was on the state ticket and he was elected by a flattering majority to the office of treasurer of state, which office he held two years. In 1872 he was again returned from Daviess county to the state legislature and served two terms. Mr. Brett was one of the leaders in the democracy of the state and during his active connection therewith was a strong power in Indiana politics. The manner in which he administered the affairs of his several important offices inspired in his behalf the utmost confidence and trust of the people, whose respect for his political sagacity was so frequently demonstrated by the public honors conferred upon him, and it is simply justice to say, in this brief connection, that he never betrayed this trust. Unfortunately, shortly after his last legislative office, Mr. Brett met with an accident which rendered him a permanent cripple, and he was compelled to retire from active politics. He then turned his whole attention to the development and enlargement of his already extensive farming interests, and large success attended his efforts. At the time of his death, which occurred July 23, 1896, he was the possessor of 250 acres of land, his large farm near Washington, and a considerable farm in Marion county. He was an earnest Catholic, and an active and valued member of St. Simon's church, to which he was a large and liberal contributor, and which, as well as the community at large, sustained a sad loss at his death.

On June 1, 1858, at Vincennes, Ind., Mr. Brett was united in marriage to Miss Alice M. Hayes, who was born at that place October 1, 1835, a daughter of William and Anna (Beckes) Hayes, the former of whom was born in Ireland, August 3, 1803; the latter in Vincennes, November 20, 1816, the daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth Beckes, pioneers of southern Indiana. Mrs. Brett

received her early education in St. Mary's institute, near Terre Haute, and is, in these, her later years, a truly good worker in the community. She is a member of the Altar society of St. Simon's church at Washington and gives largely both of her services and her means to the good works of that organization. By her union with Mr. Brett she bore two children, both of whom are now dead, viz: Anna, who was the wife of Austin F. Cable, to whom she bore one child, Brett Cable, who now resides with Mrs. Brett; and William, who died in childhood.

**H**ENRY FRANCIS BRINDLEY, who resides with his family at No. 641 South Alabama street, Indianapolis, has been for many years a resident of St. Patrick's parish, having settled here in 1876. Mr. Brindley was born in Staffordshire, England, March 18, 1850, his father dying when he was but a child. Some time later the mother brought her three children to the United States, landing in New York, and going thence to Cincinnati, Ohio, and on April 14, 1873, Mr. Brindley was married in Covington, Ky., to Miss Josephine Drohan of that place, and a daughter of John and Mary Drohan. It is worthy of note that Mr. Brindley, who is a convert to the doctrines of the Catholic church, took his first communion on the day of his marriage, which was Easter Monday, 1873. The parents of Mrs. Brindley were natives of county Waterford, Ireland, and in their native country they still reside; two of their sons and six of their daughters came to the United States, arriving in 1864. Of these Mrs. Brindley is the youngest. One of the sons, Patrick Drohan, is a resident of Indianapolis.

In May, 1876, Mr. and Mrs. Brindley came to Indianapolis, and this city has since been their home. They are the parents of two daughters: Belle, the wife of John H. Sullivan, and Nettie, both of whom took their first communion at St. Patrick's church, and were educated at the academy of that parish. Both daughters were educated with unusual care, and both have excellent taste in many directions, but each has a specialty of her own—Belle being an artist, and many specimens of her skill embellish her home,

while Nettie has made a specialty of music, in which she greatly excels. The location of the home has been given above, and the family are among the most highly esteemed members of their parish and of general society.

**J**OHN H. T. BROCKAMP, a popular grocer of Richmond, Ind., is a native of Germany, was born in Hanover, June 7, 1834, and is a son of Bernard Joseph and Anna Mary Brockamp.

Bernard Joseph Brockamp was born in the parish of Damme, Hanover, August 27, 1799, and after leaving school spent seven years at sea. He married, in Hanover, in 1821, Anna Mary Everman, who was born February 6, 1800, also in Hanover. In 1828 Mr. Brockamp landed in Baltimore, Md., whence he went direct to Effingham, Ill., invested in some property and remained six months. In 1830 he came to Richmond, Ind., and engaged in stone masonry work, and also worked as a carpenter. His was one of the first Catholic families who settled in this city, and here he died in the faith December 9, 1874, his wife surviving until October 14, 1883, and the remains of both now lie side by side in St. Andrew's cemetery. The mother and her sister, Gednuth, together with J. H. T. Brockamp, our subject, came to Richmond from the old country, via Baltimore, in 1840, and settled in the home the father had provided for them on Front street.

John H. T. Brockamp attended school until fourteen years of age, and was then apprenticed to the bricklayer's trade, which he followed six years, and then engaged in the grocery trade on Fifth street, in which he continued from 1858 until 1861, when he sold out and moved upon a farm five miles west of Richmond, on which he remained four years. In 1866 he moved to Cincinnati, Ohio, conducted a grocery for some time, and then moved to Brookville, Franklin county, Ind., and again followed the grocery business for twenty-five years. In 1893 he returned to Richmond, and has here been engaged ever since in the same trade, in partnership with his son, on South Eighth street.

J. H. T. Brockamp was united in marriage, in Richmond,

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September 2, 1861, by Rev. Father Seepe, to Miss Berdena Knabe, formerly of Cincinnati, Ohio. The following-named children have blessed this union: Mary Gertrude, wife of E. Diederick, of Middletown, Ohio; Albert and Josephena, and Frank, deceased; Franz, also of Middletown, and John Henry Albert. Mr. and Mrs. Brockamp are prominent members of St. Andrew's church, and socially are held in very high esteem by the people of Richmond, where they own considerable valuable real estate.

JAMES BRODEN, a pioneer Catholic of Indianapolis, was born in the parish of Clonmel, Tipperary county, Ireland, June 22, 1820, and is a son of John and Nancy (Carroll) Broden, who came to Indianapolis in 1854, following their son James, who had settled here in the fall of 1851, and here the mother passed away in 1856, and the father in December, 1867, dutiful members of the Catholic church. Of their six children, three sons and a daughter came to the United States, and one son and one daughter died in Ireland. The three sons who came to this country were named James, Patrick and Michael; of these, James and Michael are still residents of Indianapolis, Patrick having died in this city some years since, leaving a family.

James Broden learned the trade of an iron molder in his younger manhood, and this has been his calling for over half a century. He was married, in Ireland, to Miss Judith Dooley, who bore him two children, a son and a daughter, and died in Indianapolis August 2, 1869. The son, James Broden, Jr., is a member of the wholesale grocery firm of M. O'Connor & Co., of Indianapolis, and the daughter, Mary, still resides with her father, at their very pleasant home, No. 517 New York street, where the family first located in 1851.

When James Broden first settled in Indianapolis, there were very few Catholic families in the city, and their only place of worship was in a small church-building of frame, on what is now known as North West street, in which mass was read by the now Very Rev. Louis Gueguen, who also administered to the other

spiritual needs of his people. The Catholics, at that time, were of mixed nationalities, Irish and German predominating, and were by no means wealthy, but they banded together, and in course of time erected to God the present edifice of worship, one of the most imposing in the city, and known as St. Patrick's Catholic church, in the construction of which, as well as in the consolidation of the elements now constituting St. Patrick's congregation, Mr. Broden was a prime factor. He still belongs to the congregation, and his son and estimable daughter, the latter of whom manages her father's household, also belong to this church. Mr. Broden and his family stand at the head and front of the respected Catholic residents of the parish, and also enjoy the friendship of their non-Catholic neighbors to the highest degree.

JAMES BRODEN, of No. 332 East Norwood street, Indianapolis, was born in county Clare, Ireland, and was a young man of about eighteen years of age when he came to America. About 1864 he became a resident of this city, soon afterward marrying Miss Catherine Farrell, a native of Roscommon city, county Roscommon, Ireland, and who crossed the Atlantic ocean to America at the age of eighteen years, landing in New York city, where her sister, Mrs. Fitzgerald, had already made her home; but subsequently the two sisters came together to Indianapolis, and here Catherine Farrell met and was married to Mr. Broden, in St. John's church. She was called away, however, in the faith of the Catholic church, on the 5th day of May, 1895, leaving, to mourn her loss, her disconsolate husband and three accomplished daughters, who still reside with their father, although one has been married and bears the name of Mrs. Anna Rehling, who has been a successful teacher in the public schools of Indianapolis since 1891, her present field of labor being at school No. 31, on Lincoln street. Mary and Kate are the names of the unmarried daughters, and, with their father and sister, are dutiful members of St. Patrick's church, in which they stand high in the esteem of the congregation, as well as that of the community in general.

REV. CHARLES DHE, pastor of St. John the Evangelist church at Hartford City, Blackford county, Ind., is a native of France, was born May 6, 1863, and is a son Augustine and Augusta (Haverlant) Dhe, who still reside in France. He graduated in the classics at Arras, France, October 4, 1877, and July 10, 1887, was ordained priest by Bishop Dannel, of Arras, landed in America October 24, 1892, and was assistant at New Iberia, La., until December, 1893, when he came to the diocese of Fort Wayne, and in February, 1894, was appointed to his present charge at Hartford City, with the pertaining missions, mentioned in the church history. Here his duties have been most faithfully performed, and have been rewarded with abundant success, the erection of the church-buildings and parochial houses noted in the church history furnishing ample evidence of his untiring zeal.

THOMAS BRODERICK, the well-known stave manufacturer and saw-mill proprietor of Auburn, DeKalb county, Ind., is a native of this state and was born in Allen county, October 25, 1848, a son of John and Ellen (Meehan) Broderick, the former of whom was an agriculturist by vocation.

Thomas Broderick was reared on his father's farm until seventeen years old, in the meanwhile receiving his education in the district and parochial schools of his township, and then began his business career as an employee in the stave factory at New Haven, Allen county, where he held his position until 1873, when he went to Fort Wayne, where he was employed in the same class of work until 1881. He then went to Missouri, where he worked until 1889, then returned to Indiana and settled in Auburn, his present home, where he has since been engaged in operating a stave factory and saw-mill in partnership with William Townsend.

Mr. Broderick was united in marriage, in Auburn, December 31, 1879, to Miss Della Parish, a native of DeKalb county, and this marriage has been blessed with three children, of whom one only survives—John E. Mr. Broderick has always been a sober, upright and industrious citizen, who has profited by his attention



to business, and is now owner of his residence as well as mill property. In politics he is a democrat, and in religion a conscientious Catholic, to which faith he has converted his wife, and to the promotion of which they contribute freely of their means. Their family is much respected in the community and Mr. Broderick is considered to be one of its most substantial and useful citizens.

**H**ENRY J. BROKAMP, of blessed memory, was born April 29, 1843, in Westphalia, Germany, where he spent the first fourteen years of his life, a part of which was in attendance at the schools of his native town. In his fifteenth year, in company with two sisters, Mary, now Mrs. Strickler, and Jane, who became the wife of Joseph Blenker, Mr. Brokamp came to the United States, landing, in 1857, at New Orleans, proceeding thence to Cincinnati, where he remained for a brief period, and then came to Richmond, Ind., where he first secured employment as coachman. He was thus engaged for two years, and for the twelve succeeding years had charge of the grounds of Earlham college, and then embarked in the grocery business, first as clerk, and later for himself, on the corner of Main and Fourth streets, and followed the grocery trade with financial profit several years previous to his death.

Mr. Brokamp was married in St Andrew's church, Richmond, February 13, 1872, to Miss Jennie Brennan, Father Hundt performing the ceremony according to the prescribed form of the Holy Catholic church. Mr. and Mrs. Brokamp had a family of four children, who were named as follows: Alice, Harry, Thomas and Benjamin, all living but the last named.

Mr. Brokamp was a reputable man, popular with a large circle of friends in Richmond, and his life, measured according to the standard of the church in which he was reared, bespoke the earnest Christian and true gentleman. He was a faithful member of St. Andrew's church and the society of St. Joseph, and his death, which occurred on the 15th day of October, 1882, was an event deeply regretted, not only by his wife and children, who were thus bereft of a loving husband and kind father, but by all who knew him

and had learned to prize him for his many sterling qualities of manhood. Mrs. Brokamp and her three children are active members of St. Andrew's.

PIERRE BROUILLETTE, a representative of one of the earliest-established families of Knox county, Ind., was born March 15, 1820, on the family homestead, in a house built by his grandfather, on the Wabash river, a mile north of Vincennes, Ind., a portion of the land originally belonging to this homestead being now within the corporation of the city named.

Michael Brouillette, the grandfather of subject, alluded to above, and two of his brothers, Maurice and Frank, came from France to Canada with the French army, and Michael was an officer under Gen. Montcalm, and took part in the battle known as Braddock's defeat. The maternal grandfather of subject, when quite a young man, was captured near the Sugar Loaf hills by Indians, and carried as far as Mobile, Ala., where he and a fellow-captive secured their release under a contract with some white men to serve a term of seven years as laborers, which contract they fulfilled, and on their return to Vincennes, after an absence of nine years, the grandfather married the lady to whom he had been betrothed prior to his capture. After the close of the Revolutionary war, Michael, the paternal grandfather, settled at or near Vincennes, and later on his farm, which adjoined that of William Henry Harrison.

Pierre Brouillette, father of subject, was born in Vincennes, December 14, 1782, and on reaching manhood became the trusted friend and associate of Gen. Harrison, and was employed by him as a bearer of dispatches to St. Louis, Mo., and other points during the war of 1812. This was a most perilous task and was never free from imminent danger at the hands of Indians, or attacks by wild beasts, or disasters occasioned by swollen water-courses—but he always delivered his dispatches on time. He served all through the war of 1812, and was also a captain in the Black Hawk war of 1832. He married Miss Julia Bushee, a native of Vincennes, and by her became the father of five children.

Pierre Brouillette, the subject, lived on the old homestead on which he was born until twenty-six years of age, when he was married, in 1846, in St. Francis Xavier cathedral, by Rev. Father Audran, to Miss Louise Frances Bernard, a native of France, who came to Vincennes in 1844 with her mother, her brothers having preceded them. When a child of five years of age, subject had been presented by his father with a farm of 170 acres, all in the wild woods, and to this farm he moved immediately after marriage and began clearing up, and this meant a life-time of hard toil, and it has been within the past few years that he has felt justified in making this life a little easier by ceasing hard work. Here have been born his eight children, viz: Julia, who died in young womanhood; Henry Andrew, who also died in early life; Louis, who was married, but died when still a young man, and this death was followed by that of his mother, July 12, 1884—all four deaths occurring within the space of two years. The remaining five children born to Mr. Brouillette are Bernard, who is employed on the home farm; Maurice, buyer for a grain elevator in Wheatland; Louisa, Alphonzo and Marie Laura, at home. Mr. Brouillette has developed a splendid farm from the wilderness and has been one of the few still living who has seen the city of Vincennes, old as it is, grow from a village to be a city of goodly proportions. For over 150 years the Brouillette family have been communicants at St. Francis Xavier church, and have done their full share in contributing from their means toward its sustenance and in promoting its influence and usefulness.

REV. VICTOR J. BRUCKER, assistant of St. John's church, is a native of Indiana, born at Tell City, Perry county, January 4, 1872. He is the youngest son of the late Dr. Magnus Brucker.

Father Brucker completed his preparatory work for the ministry in St. Meinard's college, which he attended four years, and in 1890 went to Europe and completed his studies at the American college, Rome, where he took the degrees of bachelor and licentiate in theology, and after a six years' sojourn in the Eternal city, was

ordained priest in the Basilica of St. John Lateran on the thirtieth of May, 1896, by his eminence, Cardinal Parocchi, and immediately thereafter made a tour of the continent. On his return to America he entered upon his duties as assistant of St. John's church, Indianapolis.

Father Brucker is a young man of bright mind, liberally educated, and has a sincere love for his life work, upon the arduous of duties of which he has just entered.

JOSEPH LOUIS EBNER, a member of the city council at Vincennes, Ind., one of the wealthiest and most influential citizens of this, his native city, and head of the great artificial ice plant, was born January 6, 1863, a son of John and Catherine (Kuhn) Ebner, Alsations by birth.

John Ebner, deceased, was for many years prominently identified with the business interests of Vincennes. He established the first brewery in the city and also the first wholesale ice business. His operations were very successful and he left his family in affluent circumstances. He was born in Alsace June 8, 1817, received a fair education and was brought up to the trade of miller and baker, in which capacity he worked in numerous European cities. He was for seven years in the French army, his service for the most part lying in Algiers, Africa. He came to this country in 1846, and worked for a while at his trade before embarking in the business enterprises which proved so successful. He was twice married, his first wife, dying, leaving two children. To the second union there were born seven children, as follows: Magdalene, wife of Joseph Schmidt, a manufacturer of cigars at Vincennes; John, a member of the Hack & Simon Brewing company, who died at the age of thirty-one years and six months; Mary E., widow of Herman Wissing, who resides with her mother; Joseph L., our subject; an infant, deceased; Lawrence, a manufacturer of artificial ice at Seymour, Ind., and Theressa, at home. The lamented death of John Ebner took place January 26, 1889.

Joseph L. Ebner received his elementary education in the



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parochial schools of the city, and he then attended the city high school to the senior year, after which he spent a year at St. Joseph's college at Teutopolis, Ill. He was associated with his father until 1887, when he began operations in the natural ice business on his own account. In 1889 he established his present artificial ice plant, which has developed into quite an extensive industry, employing twenty-five operatives and being valued at \$100,000. This business, as well as that of his brother, Lawrence, at Seymour, is known as the John Ebner Ice company, in honor of and perpetuation of the father's name.

In 1887 Mr. Ebner was united in marriage with Miss Catherine S. Raben, a native of St. Wendel's, Posey county, Ind. To this union were born four children: Vivian, Laurine, Mary, and an infant, deceased. Mrs. Ebner died January 24, 1894, and the children have since lived with their grandmother Ebner, at the pleasant old parental home at the corner of Fifth and Vigo streets. The religious home of the Ebners is with St. John's German Catholic church, to which they are liberal contributors, and are active and diligent in all good works of the church society.

Mr. Ebner is a prominent member of St. John's branch, C. K. of A. Politically he is a democrat, though somewhat independent in local politics. He is a member of the Vincennes city council, representing the Sixth ward, and is now serving his third term in the aldermanic body. He is a man of wide acquaintance and large local influence and his strict and prompt business methods have won for him a firm place in commercial circles. He is active in everything pertaining to the welfare of the city and its material growth and advancement, and is serving very capably and acceptably on a number of important committees in the council.

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**W**ILLIAM M. BROWN, one of the trustees of the Church of the Immaculate Conception at Rushville, Ind., is a substantial and thrifty citizen, is a blacksmith by calling, and a man of much personal worth, who has won the regard of the community in which he has spent all his life. He was born at Rushville, June

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1, 1859, of Irish parentage. His father, Michael Brown, came to this country from Ireland when he was thirteen years of age, stopping at New York, where he remained three years, after which he came to Rushville, established his home, and lived here to a ripe old age, dying May 27, 1896. He married Mary Shane, and to them were born the following children: Frank, William M., George, James, John, Jesse, Joseph and Jane. The mother is still living in Rushville. They were pioneer members of the Catholic society at this place, and a high place in the regard of the parish was accorded them.

William M. Brown was reared in Rushville and received a fair common-school education. Five years of his youth were spent upon a farm, but when twenty-one years of age he began to learn the blacksmith trade, and on January 12, 1889, opened a shop of his own. His industry has been rewarded and he owns considerable town property, several houses and lots, and his own comfortable home, a cottage costing \$1,800. Politically he is a democrat, but takes only a quiet part in politics.

December 25, 1890, Mr. Brown was married to Mary Gavin, who was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, May 18, 1863, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Connor) Gavin, ardent Catholics, now deceased. To them have been born two children: George, deceased, and Grace. Mr. and Mrs. Brown are devoted members of the church of the Immaculate Conception and liberal contributors to its material needs. As a trustee of the church during its present reconstructive period, Mr. Brown is unwearied in the important duties which devolve upon him, and the handsome new structure will owe much to his efforts.

**D**OMINIK BRUGGNER, a devoted and earnest member of St. Mary's Catholic church of South Bend, Ind., is a native of Germany and was born in Baden August 1, 1863, a son of Nicholas and Frana (Casley) Bruggner—his father being a farmer.

Dominik Bruggner attended a parochial school in the parish of Swandorf, Baden, until fourteen years of age, and was then apprenticed to the shoemaking trade. At the proper age he was called



upon to perform the usual military duty, and served in the Prussian army three years, after which he worked at his trade in Germany and Switzerland until his embarkation for America. He landed in New York city September 14, 1889, whence he came direct to Indiana, and for the first winter of his residence in this state was employed on a farm near Mishawaka. March 14, 1890, he came to South Bend and opened a repair shop, and in this business he still continues, with gratifying financial success.

May 4, 1890, Mr. Bruggner returned to Mishawaka and was there united in marriage, by Rev. Father Oechtering, with Miss Lena Futterknecht, and to this happy union have been born four children, viz: Sadie, Frank, Gottfried, and an infant not named at the time of this writing.

Mr. Bruggner is a member of St. John's society and Mrs. Bruggner is connected with the ladies' sodalities of St. Mary's church, to which congregation the family belong. The parents are devout and earnest in their religious duties, and freely contribute to the support of the church proper, and to all movements promising to result in the good of the congregation and the sodalities and charities of the church. Mr. Bruggner has made many warm friends since he has resided in South Bend, and he and wife enjoy a full share of the respect unually bestowed upon those who lead a moral and industrious life.

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**M**ARTIN BUCHERT, an active man of business in Prescott, Shelby county, Ind., was born in Dearborn county, in the same state, in October, 1842, and is a son of Peter and Mary Buchert, the former of whom was born in Austria and the latter in Alsace, France. The father, a farmer, came to Indiana in 1828, and assisted in clearing up the ground preparatory to the erection of the Catholic church-edifice at New Alsace, Dearborn county. To Peter and Mary Buchert were born twelve children, of whom the subject is the youngest.

Martin Buchert was educated in the parochial and public schools of his native county and was reared on his father's farm, remaining at home until twenty-six years old, when he married,

February 13, 1869, in Franklin county, Miss Josephine Dauenhauer, who was born in New York city, July 14, 1846, a daughter of John and Josephine Dauenhauer, and to this union have been born three children, viz: Louise M., of Cincinnati, Ohio; Anna B. and Charles M. For three or four years after his marriage, Mr. Buchert was engaged in farming in Dearborn county, Ind., and then removed to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he worked in a brewery until 1878, and then moved back to his farm of forty-six acres in Dearborn county, and five years later, in 1883, came to Prescott, Shelby county, where he has since resided, engaged in dealing in grain, etc., and where he owns, beside, good residence property. Mr. Buchert and family are consistent members of St. Vincent's Catholic church, and freely contribute to its support. In politics Mr. Buchert is a democrat, and while living in Dearborn county was for four years assessor and four years trustee of his township. He is very popular in Prescott and he and family enjoy the esteem of all who know them.

GEORGE W. ELBREG was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, on the twentieth day of February, 1856, a son of Henry H. and Margaret (Shields) Elbreg. When he was ten years old, his parents removed to Richmond, Ind., and in that city he attended school until his fifteenth year. He then started in mercantile life as errand boy in the Eagle store, at Richmond, and within a comparatively short time was promoted to the position of salesman, which has been his life work. From Richmond he accompanied his parents to Greenfield, where he remained six years, and in 1873 came to Indianapolis, which city has since been his home.

In 1879 Mr. Elbreg accepted the position of traveling salesman with a clothing house of Cincinnati, and has spent the last eighteen years in this capacity. During the last sixteen years, he has been the trusted representative on the road of the large and well known clothing firm of Heidelback, Friedlander & Co., of Cincinnati, and, as such, has done an immense business for his employers and earned the reputation of being one of the most successful commercial travelers in the west. In September, 1894, Mr. Elbreg estab-



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lished a department store on English avenue, Indianapolis, which was conducted in his absence by his wife, until her death November 9, 1897, assisted by hired help, and which has proved a most profitable venture.

Mr. Elbreg was married in Indianapolis, October 5, 1879, by Very Rev. Bessonies, to Miss Mary Frances Lynch, of Niagara Falls, N. Y. Mrs. Elbreg came to Indianapolis with her parents in her childhood and was educated at St. John's academy, this city; she bore her husband two children: Lillie May, a young lady of fifteen, and Florence, who died at the age of six years and seven months.

Mr. Elbreg is a conscientious and devoted Catholic, influential not only in church affairs but also in the societies connected therewith. He is a charter member of Capital council, No. 276, Y. M. I., and is the present council deputy of the same. He has been active in matters political and wields considerable influence, though persistently declining official honors. In a word, he is an energetic man of affairs, possesses business ability of a high order and endeavors to conform his life to the pure teaching of the Holy church.

Henry H. Elbreg, the subject's father, is a native of Germany, and his wife, Margaret, was born in Baltimore, Md.; they were married in Cincinnati, Ohio, of which city the subject's paternal grandfather was a very early settler. By occupation Henry H. Elbreg was a mechanic, and for a number of years exercised his skill as a manufacturer of physicians' operating chairs. Of his immediate family, there are living Mary, Beatrice, Frederick and George W. Frederick married Emma Uter and resides in Indianapolis; Mary and Beatrice are still under the parental roof. The following members of the family are deceased: Florence, Kate, Henry and Lillie. The last named was known in the church as Sister Mary Gabriel, and spent her life at St. Mary's of the Woods, where she died in young womanhood. Henry died at the age of twenty-one, a bright young man, with every indication of a prosperous future before him; Florence, a most estimable young lady, was called from the scenes of the earth life when about nineteen years of age.

Fred Elbreg, a brother of Henry H., spent twenty-five years

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in the Jesuit college at Cincinnati, and is now a distinguished surgeon at the national capital, holding a position as United States surgeon. For many years the Elbreg family have been Catholics, true to the church, and their lives have been shining examples of its influence.

AUGUST J. BUCHNER, who resides at No. 1909 Prospect street, Indianapolis, is one of the earlier residents of St. Patrick's parish, and has lived in this city since 1870. He was born at Dayton, Montgomery county, Ohio, March 18, 1848, and is a son of George and Ann Mary Buchner, natives of Germany, the maiden name of Mrs. Buchner having been Trimbach. George Buchner was a pioneer of Dayton, assisted in building the Little Miami railroad—the first railroad to enter Dayton—was one of the earliest Catholics in that city, and aided in building Emanuel church, the first Catholic church in that place. At one time he operated the mail route between Dayton and Cincinnati, carrying both mail and passengers between the two places. For some time during the early days of Dayton he was engaged in draying, and in point of fact introduced the first dray into that city. He was a well known and highly esteemed citizen, a faithful and consistent Catholic, and a kind husband and father. His death occurred in 1883, his wife dying in 1886. They were the parents of nine children, seven sons and two daughters. George, the eldest son, is a resident of San Diego, Cal.; Sebastian, the second in age, died when forty-four years old; August J., the subject of this sketch, was the third; then followed triplets, sons, one of whom died at the age of one year, another at the age of twenty-four years, and the third is a resident of Northern Michigan; then came twins, Joseph and Mary, both of whom reside in Dayton. The eldest daughter is now a Sister of Notre Dame and a teacher in Cincinnati.

August J. Buchner, the subject of this sketch, learned the trade of plumber and gas-fitter, beginning his apprenticeship at the age of seventeen years, and has followed that trade in Indianapolis since 1871. Mr. Buchner was married January 8, 1872, to Miss Johanna Casey, a native of Eaton, Ohio, and a daughter of Pat-

rick Casey. Mr. and Mrs. Buchner have three daughters, viz: Lizzie, wife of Charles Kolling; Mamie, and Carrie. Mr. and Mrs. Kolling have one son. The children have all been confirmed and took their first communion under Father Donaghue. Mr. Buchner is a member of Capital council, No. 276, Young Men's institute, and is a member of the executive committee at the present time. The family are all excellent people, and possess and enjoy the confidence and regard of their neighbors and friends to a high degree.

**JOHN BUCKLEY.**—Of the early Catholic families of Indianapolis few if any are more deserving of mention in this work than that of John Buckley, who were pioneers of the first parish organized in this city.

John Buckley was born in the parish of Kanturk, county Cork, Ireland, on Ash Wednesday, in February, 1826, but his parents died while he was yet young. After a brief residence in the state of New York he removed to Indianapolis, and on March 26, 1858, was married to Miss Hannah Corcoran, the marriage being solemnized by Rev. Father Mahoney at the little frame Catholic church in St. John's parish, the only one then in the city.

Mr. Buckley was one of the early railroad men of Indianapolis, and was long connected with the Panhandle road as a trusted and faithful employee. Like many another railroad man, he met his death by accident, being struck and killed by a yard engine on West Washington street, September 9, 1877. He left a wife and five children, viz: Hannah, wife of Thomas Burns, of Nashville, Tenn.; John P., also a resident of Nashville, Tenn.; Dennis, who resides at Decatur, Ala.; Mary E. and James, at home with their mother, at No. 718 Lord street. Mr. Buckley was an honest, upright man, well known to early railroad men, and a faithful and trusted employee of both the Big Four and the Panhandle railway companies.

The children have all been well educated, their instruction having been such as tends to make them good Catholic citizens of the state and of the United States. Miss Mary E. Buckley has

been a successful teacher in the public schools of Indianapolis since 1886, having graduated from the high schools of the city in 1885, and from the Indianapolis Normal school in 1886. Mrs. Hannah Buckley is a woman of many excellent qualities, and has earnestly striven to so bring up her children as to make them useful citizens, not only to themselves, but also to the world at large.

**HENRY BUDENZ.**—Half a century ago the Catholics in Indianapolis were few in numbers. In 1848 the subject of this sketch, Henry Budenz, became a resident of the city and continued to live here until his death, which occurred August 24, 1892. His widow, Mrs. Julia Budenz, has, in at least one way, greater claims to distinction than her husband, having lived in Indianapolis ten years before he located in the place. Mr. Budenz was born in Rasdorf, Hesse-Cassel, Germany, June 15, 1823, grew to manhood in his native land, and came to the United States in 1848, about the time of the great revolution in the old country, when so many good people were compelled to seek a home in what was then to them a foreign and unknown land. After a residence of a few months in Fort Wayne, Ind., he decided to move to Indianapolis, which he did that year.

On June 28, 1849, he was married to Mrs. Julia Butch, daughter of Lawrence and Catherine Eurich. She was born at Frankfurt-on-the-Main, Germany, April 5, 1830. The year next after that of her birth, her father emigrated to the United States, bringing his family with him, and locating near Lancaster, Pa. Several years later he decided to come west, and arrived in Indianapolis, July 4, 1838. Here he and his wife passed the remainder of their days, the father dying April 24, 1857, and the mother surviving him many years, passing away November 23, 1893, at the age of ninety years. While Mr. Eurich was not a Catholic, yet he was a most worthy citizen, and was by birth and education a Lutheran in religion, and while he lived in Indianapolis he was a faithful member of Zion Lutheran church. Mrs. Eurich was a Catholic, devoted to the interests of her church, and has reared her children



in her own faith. She and her husband were the parents of seven children, three sons and four daughters, the only surviving members of the family being Mrs. Budenz and her sister, Mrs. Amelia Langbein, of College avenue, Indianapolis.

Mrs. Budenz, whose home is at No. 2117 Shelby street, belongs to one of the early pioneer families of Indianapolis, in which city she has resided for sixty years, she being a child of eight years when brought here by her parents. The appearance of the city at the time of her arrival in it is indelibly impressed on her memory, it being then a crude western village of a few houses and inhabitants. The Catholic families were then very few indeed, and they were without a church or pastor. Mr. and Mrs. Budenz were the parents of three children, all sons, as follows: John T., a bookkeeper by occupation and a resident of San Francisco, Cal.; Henry J., born April 13, 1853, who married Miss Mary G. Sullivan, daughter of John L. Sullivan, an early pioneer of Indianapolis, and by her he has two daughters and two sons, viz: Louis F., Catherine, Henry J., and Mary. H. J. Budenz is paying teller at the Capitol National bank, and is treasurer of Capitol council, No. 276, Young Men's institute. Louis A., the youngest son of Mrs. Budenz, was born July 9, 1864, and is bookkeeper at the bank above mentioned. Mrs. Budenz, and her son Henry J., together with the family of the latter, reside at the home above mentioned. She is a woman of extraordinary culture and excellent memory, and possesses a large and valuable fund of information regarding the church in Indianapolis in the early days. As Miss Julia Eurich she married Mr. Butch, who survived the marriage but a short time, and after his death she married Mr. Budenz.

**H**ERMAN H. BULTMAN, an active member of St. John's Catholic church at Vincennes, and the efficient engineer at the John Ebner Ice company's plant, was born in this city June 21, 1852, the son of Charles and Mary Bultman, and is the eldest of a family of eight children. His parents were married here in 1850 and are still living, the father at the age of seventy-one and the

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mother seventy-five. The father is an engineer, and met with an accident in a flouring-mill, some years ago, through which he lost a leg.

William, the second in the family, was educated for the priesthood in St. Meinrad's college and admitted to holy orders in June, 1877. He was stationed at Evansville as curate at Trinity church, which position he held about two years, when he was given charge of St. Boniface church in the same city, which pastorate he retained seven years, during that term building a fine new house of worship for St. Boniface parish. He was afterward transferred to Washington, Ind., where he died after a year and a half's successful ministry. In the death of this earnest and devout young clergyman the church lost a very able advocate—one whose death will long be lamented. Concerning the death and burial of this lamented young priest the Vincennes Daily Sun, of February 16, 1893, contains quite a lengthy article, in which the funeral is described as the most largely attended and most imposing ever conducted in Vincennes. The obsequies were presided over by Bishop Chatard, who was assisted by the eminent clergy from all quarters of the diocese. The good bishop's sermon was a strong and pathetic appeal to his hearers to take comfort in the blessed promises of God's Holy religion, giving assurances of Father Bultman's peace with God for his many good works done in life. The newspaper article concluded with the following tribute to the departed: "Thus was consigned to an early grave a man of bright promise and noble Christian character. On the very threshold of life's work, he was called from the world in the vigor of youth and strong young manhood. He was a man universally esteemed for his devotion to duty—for his goodness of heart and sympathy with suffering humanity. That he would have achieved greater prominence, and, perhaps, attained high rank in the councils of the church is but a prophecy which the facts of his few years of noble service abundantly attest." The memory of this good man is a sacred thing in the Bultman household.

The third of the family is John, a farmer in Knox county, Ind.; next is Mrs. Mary Chalkley, of Vincennes; Charles is a farmer in Knox county; Elizabeth at home; Annie has consecrated her life

to holy service, and as Sister Wilhelmina is connected with the Sisterhood of the school of St. Mary's of the Woods, Margaret died at three years of age.

Herman H. Bultman learned the machinist's trade in a contract shop in Vincennes, where he worked for six years. In the fall of 1876 he engaged with the O. & M. R. R. Co., as a machinist, and was thus employed for fourteen years. In 1889 he took his present position with the John Ebner Ice company.

Mr. Bultman was married on May 30, 1876, to Miss Annie C. Lauxterman, a native of Cincinnati. To them six children have been born, only two of whom—Bernard and Clara—remain, that dread visitant, malignant diphtheria, having taken away Clementina, William, Annie and Freddie, the first of whom died in 1877, the second in 1879, and the last two in 1892. All the Bultmans are members of St. John's parish and are liberal contributors to the church. Our subject is a member of St. John's Benevolent society, and of the C. K. of A. Politically he is a democrat.

**A**NDREW BURKE, a son of Henry and Catherine (Doeoland) Burke, natives of Ireland, was born May 5, 1865, in Aurora, Ind., where he attended the common schools and later learned the the nailer's trade, at which he worked until he was twenty-two years of age in Aurora and other places. He then opened up a business of his own, and was married January 18, 1893, to Miss Matilda Hauck, a daughter of Julius Hauck, of Aurora, the ceremony being solemnized by Rev. J. J. Macke in St. Mary's church, as it is usually termed, but which was consecrated under the name of the Church of the Immaculate Conception. Mr. Burke is a member of the Knights of St. John and of the Knights of St. George. He and his wife are members of St. Mary's church, and in politics he is a democrat.

Mr. Burke has been successful as a business man, being of a genial disposition, and having the faculty of winning friends, who ever stand by him. Although his marriage has been blessed with no children, he and wife enjoy their domestic life and are highly respected by all who know them.

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VERY REV. EDWARD M. FALLER, of New Albany, Ind., and dean of the New Albany district as well as rector of the Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary of New Albany, was born January 3, 1824, in Barr, province of Alsace, then a portion of France, but now under subjection to Germany, and descends from a family well endowed with this world's goods and who bequeathed him an ample competence. He attended school at Strasbourg until nearly sixteen years of age, and January 19, 1840, emigrated to the United States, landed in New Orleans April 11, and reached Vincennes, Ind., May 1, and after passing six years in the diocesan seminary, under Rev. Father Corbe, superior, was ordained priest, July 5, 1846, by Bishop Hailandiere.

Rev. Father Faller was appointed to the mission at Lanesville, Harrison county, July 7, 1846, where he zealously labored until October 12, when he was transferred to Fort Wayne, as assistant to Rev. Father Benoit, of St. Augustine's church (now the cathedral), and held the office until 1848, when his zeal and energy found vent in his establishing the Mother of God congregation, now the largest German Catholic body in the diocese of Fort Wayne. For this congregation he built a temporary brick church-edifice, a boys' school-house and a parsonage, and served as its pastor until March 3, 1857, when he was called to a larger field of labor, and left the Mother of God congregation free of debt.

At the date last mentioned, Father Faller came to New Albany, to assume the care of the Annunciation congregation, and here built the main part of the church-building, at a cost of \$20,000, every dollar of which he saw paid, and paid, beside, \$2,200 of a debt of \$5,000, which had been incurred prior to his arrival, contributing for this purpose nearly \$1,000 of his private means, and living on half his salary. April 3, 1867, he was called from this charge to that of St. Benedict's, at Terre Haute, and here he remodeled the parsonage, improved and added to the church grounds, and paid off a debt of \$8,000, to which he contributed \$4,000 of his personal means. The next mission of Father Faller was at Cannelton, Perry county, where he was placed in charge of St. Michael's and St. Patrick's churches, the latter being his first English-speak-





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ing congregation, and of these he took charge March 3, 1871, the same day on which he left his church at Terre Haute. He found St. Michael's congregation (a very poor one) in debt \$9,000, but of this he cleared off \$4,000 in a very short time, and with \$10,000 of his money built a commodious parsonage and improved the church-building. While at Cannelton, Father Faller also had charge, from March, 1877, to November, 1878, of St. Paul's church, at Tell City, and at the latter date went to that city to assume his sixth mission. There, also, he found his flock deeply in debt. But the benevolent and energetic pastor came none too soon to its relief. He paid for a school-building already contracted for, plastered and finished the church-edifice, which had been a bare inclosure only, built the two spires, put in the altars, stations of the cross, etc., erected a two-story brick school-house and parsonage, amounting to a cost of \$21,000, and paid the original indebtedness of \$9,000 due from the congregation from his own pocket, but accepted no salary. The people of Tell City, appreciating this munificence on the part of the pastor, furnished the tower clock and bells as a matter of public improvement. Father Faller left Tell City March 12, 1882, and for three years officiated at St. Michael's church in Madison, and then, at his own request, was given charge of another parish, leaving Madison July 2, 1885, and entering upon the pastorate of St. Ann's, Jennings county. Here the congregation had incurred a debt of \$1,100, of which he paid a part; also erected a brick school-building, 25 x 90 feet, enlarged the parish house to double its former dimensions, built the tower and spire of the church, in which he placed three good bells, and of the whole cost of \$8,000, paid \$7,000 from his own pocket. Here his devoted labors ended July 14, 1886.

The ninth and present charge of Father Faller began on the day he left St. Ann's, when he became rector of the Church of the Annunciation at New Albany. At the meeting of the fourth synod of the diocese of Vincennes, in November, 1886, he was, in his absence, appointed dean of the New Albany district, which includes the counties of Floyd, Clark, Harrison, Crawford, Washington and Scott. As rector of the Church of the Annunciation, he enlarged and improved the church-building, a work already begun by Father

Klein (deceased), and finished it a cost of \$35,000, of which amount he contributed the munificent sum of \$13,000, from his private purse, and had the edifice ready for consecration December 12, 1886. During the years 1886 and 1887 he expended \$5,000 for paintings, statues, organs, new pews, etc., and in 1888 built the new rectory, at a cost of \$7,500. Although possessed of ample means through inheritance, Dean Faller has lived abstemiously and frugally, being wedded to his faith and preferring to give his means to the aid of his parishioners rather than to the vulgar display of his wealth or the gratification of selfish ambition. He is a true priest, and his record shows him to be above all the weak praise that could be bestowed upon him in a work like this. He will find a higher reward.

**JAMES BURKE**, at No. 704 West New York street, Indianapolis, was born in county Galway, Ireland, in 1863, and is a son of Patrick and Mary (Hughes) Burke, also natives of county Galway, where they now live. There were of this family seven sons and nine daughters, twelve of whom are living, seven in America, viz: Martin and Michael, in Chicago; Patrick, in Kansas City, Mo.; Katherine, in Denver, Colo.; Mary, Bridget and James, living in Indianapolis. Mary is now Mrs. Michael Garvey, and Bridget is Mrs. Thos. Hogan. Nora became Mrs. Flisk, but died in this city August 2, 1897. Of the family in Ireland John, Margaret, Maria and Julia are still unmarried.

James Burke came to Indianapolis in the spring of 1882 and worked at the boilermaker's trade at the Atlas works for two years. He has been an extensive traveler through the United States, visiting Montana, Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska and California. He worked in Pueblo, Colo. (where he also served thirteen months on the police force), Cheyenne, Wyoming, Kansas City and other cities, and some ten years were spent in general travel. He returned to Indianapolis in 1889, but left again in 1890, going to the west. He also visited the world's fair at Chicago, where he was employed for a time, then returned here in 1893, and worked

at the Atlas works until 1897, when he engaged in his present business. Mr. Burke is a member of St. John's church, Rev. Father Gavisk pastor, and also a member of the A. O. H. and Improved Order of Red Men. Politically he is a democrat. His place is very popular with the public, and is one of the best kept in the Railroad city.

PETER J. BURKE, a foreman at the Perry, Matthews & Buskirk quarries at Bedford, Ind., was born in Washington county, Pa., June 9, 1856, a son of William and Mary (Shaughnasey) Burke, natives of county Galway, Ireland, who came to America when young and were married in Pennsylvania, whence they went to Virginia and later to Louisville, Ky., where they still reside. Of their eight children, seven lived to mature years, viz: Peter J., the subject of this biography; Mary, who is married to Patrick Hines and lives in Louisville; Michael and Anna, twins, the former of whom resides in Bedford, and the latter, who was the wife of Patrick Laven, died in Louisville; Ella is married to Nathaniel Knull, of Louisville, and Julia and John are at home with their parents. Two older brothers of William Burke, who came with him to America and whose names are Michael and John, are also residents of Kentucky.

Peter J. Burke was educated in the parochial schools of Louisville, and at the early age of fourteen years became foreman over a gang of laboring men. In 1878 he married Catherine A. Taylor, who was born in Virginia December 1, 1855, a daughter of Michael and Magaret Taylor, and this marriage has been blessed with six children, viz: Margaret, born April 15, 1881—died December 22, 1895; Anastatia, born November 4, 1883; William B., born September 3, 1885; Theresa, born October 5, 1887; Michael Lawrence, born January 12, 1893, and Francis Edward, born August 12, 1896.

Mr. Burke came to Bedford, Ind., March 4, 1880, and here held the position of foreman for the Hallowell Stone company until January, 1896, for eleven years of this period being superintendent of the company's quarries—although, for a short time, he also

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conducted a grocery, and at another time owned a quarter interest in a stone quarry. Mr. Burke has made what he possesses by his strict attention to his business and honest industry, and in 1887 erected his pleasant home at the corner of Tenth and N streets, and here he and family enjoy complete domestic felicity, the mother of Mrs. Burke being also a member of the family.

Michael Taylor, the father of Mrs. Burke, was a native of county Galway, Ireland, and married at Marietta, Ohio, in 1854, Miss Margaret Calehor, a native of the same county with himself, and who came to America with her father and his four daughters and one son, the remainder of his family of twelve, and settled in Kentucky, where the father's death occurred August 5, 1876. The family are all devout Catholics, and Mr. Burke has been a trustee of St. Vincent church for the past six years. Socially, the family stands very high.

PETER S. BURKHOLDER, chief clerk for Warren, Hill & Co., at Elkhart, Ind., was born in Lebanon county, Pa., March 4, 1853, a son of David and Malinda (Levengood) Burkholder, also natives of the Keystone state and parents of five children, viz: Peter S. subject, William and Joseph (deceased), Sally, and Emma (the last named also deceased). The father was a carpenter by trade and followed his calling until 1890, when he retired from active labor. The family were all reared in the Lutheran faith, and the survivors are all members of the Evangelical association of Lebanon, with the exception of our subject.

Peter S. Burkholder attended the public school of his native city until eighteen years of age, and then clerked in a store in Myerstown, Pa., until 1870, when he went to Reading, in the same state, and clerked until 1876, and then came to Elkhart, Ind., where he has ever since held the position with Warren, Hill & Co., alluded to above. At Reading, Pa., he was united in marriage with Miss Anna Liederer, a native of that city and a daughter of Constantine and Margaret Liederer, and this union has been blessed with three children, viz: Catherine, Anna and John Paul.

Mr. Burkholder was converted to Catholicism, at Reading,





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Pa., in 1874, and is now a member of the Catholic Benevolent legion of Elkhart, while Mrs. Burkholder is a member of the Sacred Heart sodality. They worship at St. Vincent church, are punctual in their duty, and are liberal contributors to the church fund.

In politics Mr. Burkholder is a republican, but, although he has made many friends since he has resided in Elkhart, who respect him for his personal merits, he has never sought public office.

REV. AUGUSTIN FALLEY, O. S. B., pastor of the Church of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary at Huntingburg, Dubois county, Ind., is a son of James B. and Susan (Kellogg) Falley, was born in Lafayette, Ind., September 21, 1852, and attended St. Benedict, Notre Dame and St. Meinrad schools. He was ordained September 22, 1878, was located in Spencer county, and taught school three years at St. Meinrad; then was sent to Fulda, in the same county, and remained there from September 9, 1881, to October 3, 1890. He was then given the pastorate at Huntingburg, and has remained here ever since. He then had 110 families, and has now about ninety-five. He is in charge of the school, which is taught by three Benedictine Sisters, who teach German and English to about 110 pupils. Father Falley has been very zealous in his work for the church and in promoting the spiritual and temporal welfare of his parishioners, and is greatly beloved by the latter for his piety and zeal.

MATTHEW F. BURKE, president of the People's National bank, at Washington, Ind., is a native of Daviess county and was born December 8, 1855, a son of Michael F. and Honora (Brett) Burke.

Michael F. Burke, father of subject, was born in county Limerick, Ireland, March 10, 1828, and in 1848 came to America, joined a brother, who had preceded him, at Jeffersonville, Ind.,

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yet did not himself remain in that city any great length of time, but came to Washington, taught school, and studied law under Judge E. S. Terry; later, he entered the State university at Bloomington, Ind., from the law department of which he was graduated. He then entered upon the active practice of his profession in Washington, securing a large clientage, who kept him busy until he was elected circuit judge in 1858, which office he most creditably filled until his death, May 22, 1864. He married, in Washington, Miss Honora Brett, who was born in Blackville, S. C., March 9, 1830, a daughter of Patrick and Mary Lalor Brett, natives of Ireland, but early pioneers of Indiana, and devout Catholics. To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Burke were born five children, viz: William P. (deceased), Matthew F. (our subject), John, Mary and Catherine E.—all three deceased—the remains of the father and the deceased children now lying interred in the Catholic cemetery in Washington. The venerable mother still survives and is being filially cared for at the home of her son, Matthew F.

Matthew F. Burke received his preliminary education in the parochial schools of his native city, which he attended until twelve years of age, when he entered the college at Teutopolis, Ill., where he remained two years, and then went to the St. Louis university, from which he was graduated, in 1874, with the degree of A. B., thus finishing his classical education. Returning to Washington, Ind., he taught school one year, reading law the meanwhile, and in 1876 entered the Bloomington Law school, from which he graduated in 1877, and for six years practiced his profession alone in Washington, and then, until April, 1890, in partnership with J. W. Ogden. At the date last named he entered the People's National bank as assistant cashier, the duties of which position he filled in a most satisfactory manner up to August, 1897, when he was chosen president. This bank has a capital of \$50,000, and is officered by M. F. Burke, president; E. L. Hatfield, vice-president; and R. C. Davis, cashier—the directory being composed of Messrs. M. F. Burke, E. L. Hatfield, R. C. Davis, J. W. Ogden, John Downey, A. F. Cabel and H. T. Trueblood—and is to-day one of the most solid financial institutions in Daviess county.

Mr. Burke was united in matrimony, in Paris, Ill., October



26, 1881, with Miss Margaret V. Hunter, a native of that city and a daughter of S. K. and Amy (Williams) Hunter, who were of old colonial descent, but both now deceased. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Burke was blessed with four children, viz: Francis H., who is now taking the classical course in St. Mary's college, Kansas; Anna M. and Joseph M., attending the parochial school in Washington, Ind., and Catherine, at home with her father. The mother of these children was called to rest July 19, 1896, dying in the faith of the Catholic church, and an ardent member of St. Simon's congregation, of which she was a convert, and of which her husband is one of the trustees. Mr. Burke has long been connected with the Young Men's institute, of which he is the president, and as a democrat has served one term as councilman. He stands very high in the esteem of the public, and is a truly good citizen, well worthy the honors and trusts that have been reposed in him, and equally worthy of future recognition in the management of the affairs of his city and county.

**J**OHN BURNS, a popular and well-known young carpenter of Shelbyville, is a native of Shelby county, Ind., was born May 3, 1868, and is a son of James and Bridget (Moran) Burns, natives of Ireland, who came to the United States in 1851 or 1852, and for about three years lived in Ohio, from which state they came to Indiana in 1855, and here the father engaged in farming in Shelby township, Shelby county, until his death, April 19, 1889, when his widow retired to Shelbyville, where she still resides. They were the parents of seven children, born in the following order: Maggie, deceased; Anna, deceased; Charles, of South Dakota; Mary, Sarah, Catherine and John—all reared in the Catholic church, as were their parents.

John Burns, of Shelbyville, attended the St. Vincent parochial school until thirteen years of age, and then entered the public school of Shelby county, from which he graduated in 1884, when he was apprenticed to carpentering, which has ever since been his calling. He does considerable contracting and building, employ-

ing constantly a force of five men, and his work is regarded as equal to that of any in Shelbyville, and in many respects better. He is a member of St. Joseph's congregation and of the Knights of St. John, of which he has served as vice-president, president, and as a member of the board of trustees. In politics he is a sound democrat and is quite active in forwarding the interests of his party, although he has never been an office seeker. He is active in church affairs and contributes liberally toward its support, and is widely known as an honest and strictly conscientious business man, who never seeks to take an advantage over another in his dealings.

REV. LAWRENCE FICHTER, pastor of St. Mary's church at Greensburg, Decatur county, Ind., was born in Buena Vista, Scioto county, Ohio, April 30, 1868, and is a son of Lawrence and Mary (Walters) Fichter, natives of Baden, Germany.

Rev. Lawrence Fichter received his primary education in a parochial school at Yorkville, Dearborn county, Ind., to which city his parents had removed when he was but a few years old, and at the age of thirteen he there took his first communion. He then entered St. Meinrad's college in Spencer county, Ind., where he pursued his studies until his ordination, March 18, 1892. He was then placed in charge of St. Mark's church, in Perry county, together with its missions at Derby, Rome, St. John's and St. Joseph's, all in the same county, and faithfully labored for twenty-two months, when he was advanced to the pastorate at Shoals, Martin county, Ind., with its missions at French Lick Springs, Salem and Mitchell, remaining in this pastorate two years. He next was given temporary charge of St. Henry's church in Dubois county, and three months later, March 17, 1897, was placed in his present responsible position. This church has a congregation of 150 families, and the school attendance numbers seventy-five pupils, under the instruction of two Sisters of St. Francis. The church-edifice, which is a very fine one, was erected at a cost of \$18,000, and the parsonage and lot reached a further cost of



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\$7,000. Father Fichter has labored faithfully and arduously to promote the spiritual and temporal welfare of his people and in return is by them greatly honored.

**M**ICHAEL J. BURNS, a former assistant street commissioner of Indianapolis, is a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, is a son of Patrick and Sarah (Monahan) Burns, and was born March 15, 1850.

Patrick Burns and wife were both natives of county Galway, Ireland, came to America when young, and were married in Cincinnati, in fulfillment of vows plighted in their native country. Patrick was a contractor by calling, and soon after marriage removed from Cincinnati to Louisville, Ky., where he worked in the construction of the government canal, and also on the first water works introduced into the city; there Mrs. Burns died June 30, 1864, and his own death occurred August 1, of the same year. Their family comprised three sons and two daughters, who all died in childhood, with the exception of Michael J., our subject. Left an orphan at the age of fourteen years, Michael J. Burns received but a limited education in his youth, and did not learn to write until after he had attained his majority. He was first employed to assist in building the fortifications near Louisville, the task occupying about two and a half years, and although too young for enlistment, even at its conclusion, he did all he could for the preservation of the Union. After the close of the Civil war he sold newspapers on the streets of the Falls city for several months, then returned to Cincinnati, and for three years made his home with the family of an uncle. In 1868 he came to Indiana, worked at railroad construction in North Vernon, Jennings county, until December 10 of the same year, when he came to Indianapolis. He was employed on different sections of the Indianapolis & St. Louis railway until 1872, when he permanently settled in this city. Here he has since been variously employed. He has worked for the Sarven wheel works, has driven team on the street, has been a laborer at Kingan's packing house, and in 1877 entered the employ of the Citizens' Street Railway company as a laborer in

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the stables, but rose to the position of assistant superintendent through his fidelity and attention to the interests of the company. This position he held until January, 1893, when he resigned to accept that of street commissioner, which he held five months and then returned to his former place with the street railroad company. Within a short time, however, Mr. Burns again resigned this position, and for two years was in the cigar and tobacco business, and while thus engaged was tendered the position of assistant street commissioner, which he accepted early in 1895, and in which he served till November 1, 1897, when he resigned.

Politically a democrat, Mr. Burns has always filled an active and influential place in the councils of his party. He has been elected to several offices of honor and trust, having served six years—from 1885 to 1891—as a member of the city council; June 13, 1896, he was elected to serve three years on the city board of education, being the second Catholic so honored since the organization of the district, and July 5, 1897, was elected treasurer of the board.

Mr. Burns was first married April 29, 1879, to Miss Elizabeth A. Larnard, a native of Vermont, who died June 30, 1883, the mother of two children—Sarah and Mary. His second marriage took place October 7, 1884, to Miss Mary A. O'Connor, a native of Ireland, and this union has been blessed with eight children, viz: Michael, John, Margaret, Theresa, Edward, Walter (deceased), James and George. The older children were educated in St. John's academy, and the entire family are members of St. John's church. Mr. Burns is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and was one of the committee who were sent to Washington, D. C., to present a donation of \$50,000 to the Catholic university of that city, for the maintenance of a Gaelic chair in that institution of learning. He is also a charter member of Quigley council No. 439, Young Men's institute, and was also one of the organizers and the second chief sir knight of the Knights of Father Mathew, No. 1, the first organization of the kind instituted in the state of Indiana. He has been very active in the cause of temperance, having been an absolute abstainer from the use of intoxicants since 1872, has been very liberal in his dona-

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tions to the cause and likewise very free in his contributions for the relief of the land of his forefathers, down-trodden Ireland. He is equally generous in his contributions to the support of his church as well as for the relief of the suffering poor, wherever found. It will be perceived that he has raised himself from a poor boy to his present comfortable position in life, and he well deserves the high esteem in which he is held by his fellow-citizens of Indianapolis. He resides at 1238 West Washington street, where he owns a comfortable home.

**M**ISSES JOHANNA AND ANNA BUSH, who reside at No. 523 North street, Indianapolis, have for many years been members of St. Joseph's parish. They are daughters of Dennis and Honora Bush, natives of county Cork, Ireland. Dennis and Honora Bush brought their family to the United States many years ago, settling at Bellefontaine, Ohio, where Mr. Bush died, and some time later Mrs. Bush removed her family to Indianapolis. Mr. and Mrs. Bush were the parents of six children, three sons and three daughters, all of whom removed with their mother to Indianapolis. Mrs. Bush died August 27, 1885, when she was seventy-five years of age. Four of the children, two sons, Michael and John, and two daughters still survive, the daughters residing at their pleasant home, No. 523 North street, Indianapolis. They are both most estimable women, faithful and consistent Catholics, and active in all good works.

**C.** P. BUTLER, editor and publisher of the Sun, a newsy, ably conducted weekly newspaper of North Vernon, Jennings county, Ind., was born in this town May 11, 1864.

Patrick Butler, father of C. P. Butler, was born in Ireland, but came to the United States when about fourteen years of age, and married, in Madison, Ind., Miss Mary McDonald, also a native of Ireland, and this union was blessed with three sons, of whom C. P. Butler is the only one living. The father was an early conductor

on the O. & M. railroad—now the B. & O. S. W. road—and held this position at the time of his death, in September, 1865. His widow afterward was married to John Renie.

C. P. Butler received a good common-school education and ever since quitting school his life has been passed in a newspaper office. In 1887 he bought a half-interest in the Sun establishment, and this was conducted under the firm name of Renie & Butler until 1896, when Mr. Butler purchased the entire plant, and his long experience in the business has necessarily fitted him for conducting it with success. In politics he is a stanch democrat, and is very active in advancing his party's interests, and he is in a position to render it material aid. He is a member of St. Mary's Catholic church of North Vernon, and was elected the first president of the Catholic Knights of America in his parish; but this branch of the order is now defunct, and he therefore affiliates with the Madison branch. He is very popular both in his profession and socially, and the Sun is evidently in the proper hands.

**JOHN WILLIAM FANNING.**—Many men of foreign birth or foreign ancestry are valuable citizens of the United States. One of these is John William Fanning, a member of chemical company, No. 1, Indianapolis fire department, born at Morning Sun, Preble county, Ohio, November 28, 1855.

The parents of the subject were Joseph and Johanna (Ryan) Fanning, both natives of county Tipperary, Ireland. They came to the United States in early life and were married in the state of New York, whence they removed soon afterward to Cincinnati, Ohio, living there for a few years, and finally settling in Morning Sun, Preble county, Ohio. At that place Joseph Fanning died February 22, 1861, and Mrs. Fanning, after living there a widow for six years, then married, in November, 1867, and removed to Ripley county, Ind., where she lived three years. At the end of this period she removed to Marion county, Ind., where she now resides. Her second and present husband is Patrick Sweeney, a prosperous farmer, and a much respected man in his community.





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The children of Joseph and Johanna Fanning were four in number: Jeffrey, who died at the age of six months; Margaret Ellen, wife of John F. McHugh, a gas and steam-fitter of Indianapolis; John William, the subject of this sketch; and Joseph T., auditor of the Straw Board works—a single man, who boards at the Grand hotel. To the second marriage of the mother of the subject there have been born no children.

The early life of John William Fanning was spent in the employ of Kingan's packing house, where he remained three years and then learned the trade of cornice-worker. At this trade he was engaged for about sixteen years. In 1893 he was appointed to a position in the Indianapolis fire department, which position he still retains, being stationed at headquarters of the department. Mr. Fanning was married May 8, 1878, by Mgr. Bessonies, to Miss Henrietta Miller, a native of Union, Ohio, and a daughter of Jacob and Barbara Miller, the former of whom was a meat dealer, but is now deceased. The latter is still living in Indianapolis. Mrs. Fanning was educated in the public schools of Indianapolis, and though born of Protestant parents she became a Catholic six months before her marriage to Mr. Fanning. To her marriage there have been born four children: Margaret Ellen, Johanna Frances, William John and Mary. Mr. and Mrs. Fanning are members of St. Bridget's Catholic church, of which the Rev. Father Curran is pastor, and Mr. Fanning is a member of the Knights of Father Mathew, Bessonies commandery. He is also a Knight of Pythias, and in politics a democrat, though he has never been an office seeker. He has been a member of the democratic executive committee, and has always stood well with his party associates and in the community in which he lives.

REV. J. F. BYRNE, assistant of the Very Rev. Eugene F. McBarron at Evansville, is a son of Joseph and Bridget (Lawler) Byrne, and was born January 30, 1863, at New Albany, Ind.; he was educated at St. Meinrad's college, was ordained in 1888, and was first located at Vincennes for a short period, and the same

year took charge at French Lick Springs. In November of the same year he went to Shoals and remained for six years, then was located at St. Mary's as chaplain of the motherhouse of the Sisters of Providence for eighteen months, and in May, 1896, was located as assistant at the church of the Assumption at Evansville. Here Father Byrne has done good and faithful work, and has won the esteem of his superiors as well as the affection of his congregation.

**T**HOMAS E. A. BYERLEY, of St. Joseph's county, Ind., is a native of Trieste, Austria, and was born January 9, 1828, a son of Samuel and Henrietta (Holz-Knecht) Byerley.

Samuel Byerley was a native of England, was born in 1796, and was reared to mercantile pursuits, which carried him to various parts of the world. He was married in Trieste, Austria, in 1825, returned to England and carried on his trade until 1832, and then came to the United States and was engaged in business at Boston, Mass., for two or three years. He then went to New York city, where he became a member of the well-known firm of Howland & Aspinwall, who were the first to establish a line of steamers between New York city and the isthmus of Panama, Aspinwall City, the entrepot of the isthmus, being named in honor of the junior partner. After eight years of association with this firm the health of Mr. Byerley became impaired, and in 1843 he came to St. Joseph's county, Ind., where he purchased large quantities of land, to the management of which his attention was devoted until his death in South Bend in 1870, being one of the most prominent citizens of St. Joseph's county. His venerable widow has now attained the greatly advanced age of ninety-three years.

Thomas E. A. Byerley, the subject of this sketch, was but four years of age when brought to America by his parents, was educated at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and at Emmitsburg, was trained to business by his father, and in 1854 went from St. Joseph's county, Ind., to Chicago, Ill., where he was employed as book-keeper for two years, and then returned to St. Joseph's county.

where he remained until 1860, when he went to Pike's Peak, Colo.; then visited Kansas, and in 1861 returned to St. Joseph's county, which has since been his permanent home.

T. E. A. Byerley was married in Chicago, while a bookkeeper in that city, to Miss Margaret Garrett, who lived only thirteen months after the wedding. February 4, 1856, he formed a second matrimonial alliance, in New York city, with Miss Anna Rooney, and this union has been blessed with nine children, of whom, however, six were called away, the survivors being Samuel, who resides in New York; Matilda, who is the wife of George Foster, of South Bend, and Thomas, of St. Louis, Mo. The family are all faithful Catholics, Mr. and Mrs. Byerley and their daughter, Matilda, with her husband, being members of St. Patrick's church at South Bend, to the support of which they contribute most liberally of their means and aid in every possible manner. The social standing of the family is decidedly with the best residents of the county, and the name of Byerley is honored wherever pronounced.

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REV. M. J. BYRNE, pastor of the Sacred Heart congregation, Whiting, Lake county, Ind., was born of Irish parents, who early settled in the Miami valley, Ohio. After graduating from the public schools of Hamilton, Butler county, he passed five years at the Niagara university, where he completed his classical education, and then entered St. Mary's seminary, Baltimore, Md., where he spent two years, and finally completed his theological studies at the Benedictine college of Pennsylvania. He was ordained in the priesthood June 29, 1888, by Bishop Dwenger, of Fort Wayne, and his first appointment was as assistant in the cathedral of that city, and there proved his capability as a builder up of missions and a strengthener of a weak and scattered congregations. Accordingly, he was appointed, by Bishop Rade-macher, to the mission of East Chicago and the congregation of Whiting, the latter then having a membership of nineteen families and 100 single men.

Father Byrne is a pious, well-educated, able clergyman, and

as such has won the ardent affection of his flock; as a man he is genial, generous, broad-minded and considerate with all, regardless of church affiliations. He has lifted the congregation of the Sacred Heart from oblivion to a prominent position in the diocese of Fort Wayne, as a reference to the history of the church, in Vol. I, will fully prove.

REV. MEINRAD FLEISCHMANN, pastor of St. John the Baptist's church at Vincennes, Knox county, Ind., was born in Lachen, Switzerland, June 10, 1844, a son of Jacob Henry and Mary Anna (Hammerlin) Fleischmann, also natives of Lachen and born, respectively, in 1798 and 1811.

The marriage of Jacob H. and Mary A. Fleischmann was solemnized in Lachen in 1833, and their union was blessed with the following children, beside the Rev. Meinrad, whose name opens this biography: Henry, of Spencer county, Ind.; Elizabeth, wife of Conrad Schoenbaeckleer, of Evansville; Louisa, married to Joseph Miller, of the same city; Mary, wife of George Brendel, of Brookville, and Rev. Joseph, of St. Peter's, Ind. The parents came to America in 1847, bringing with them their European-born children and landing in New Orleans, La., whence they went to Louisville, Ky. In that city the father worked as a carpenter one year, and then settled in Fulda, Spencer county, Ind., where he was engaged in farming for twenty years, when failing health caused his retirement, in 1868. His wife was called to the home of the blessed in 1876, and he was called to join her in 1877, their deaths taking place in Brookville, Franklin county, and their mortal remains now rest, side by side, in St. Michael's cemetery, in that city.

Rev. Meinrad Fleischmann commenced and concluded his studies at St. Meinrad's college in Spencer county. He was ordained there by Bishop de St. Palais on the following dates: Tonsure and minor orders, May 25, 1866; sub-deacon, June 17, 1867; deacon, June 18, 1867, and priest, June 21, 1867. For a short time after ordination he was employed in his priestly calling in New Albany and Jeffersonville, Ind., and December 8, 1868,





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was appointed to the pastorate of St. Michael's, Brookville, where, from 1874 until 1883, he had, as his assistant, his brother, Rev. Joseph Fleischmann. December 8, 1897, he received his present appointment in Vincennes.

Rev. Joseph Fleischmann, also a native of Switzerland, was born September 14, 1846, and came to America with parents, as has already been related. He was educated at St. Meinrad's and was ordained by Bishop de St. Palais as follows: Tonsure and minor orders, September 17, 1872; sub-deacon, September 18, 1872; deacon, November 1, 1873, and priest, September 6, 1874. As has been mentioned, he first became assistant to his brother, Rev. Meinrad, and in June, 1883, was placed in charge at Celestine, Dubois county, Ind., where he officiated until February 3, 1891, when he was appointed to his present pastorate of St. Peter's, in Franklin county.

MARTIN CAHILL, a well-known business man of Cannelburg, Daviess county, Ind., is a native of county Galway, Ireland, was born October 8, 1849, is the youngest of the six children of Patrick and Julia (Gillane) Cahill (four of whom still survive), and was confirmed, at the age of thirteen years, by the Bishop of Kilmacduagh.

Mr. Cahill received an excellent education in the National schools of his native land, as it was in contemplation to fit him for a position in the post-office, but the untimely death of his father changed the course of his life. The sad event led to the coming of the mother and her children to America, and June 27, 1867, they landed at Castle Garden, New York city, whence they came directly to Daviess county, Ind., and located at Washington. For a time young Martin attended school in Olney, Richland county, Ill., but in 1868 removed to Benton county, Ind., and for two years was there engaged in farming. In 1870 he became a miner, and for twelve years continued in this vocation. He next was employed in railroading for eighteen months, and in 1879 was appointed clerk of the Mutual Mining company at Cannelburg, Ind., and

shortly afterward was appointed manager of the same company, and next, through the state geologist, was appointed assistant mine inspector. He performed the functions of this office to the entire satisfaction of all concerned, and was then placed in full charge of the Mutual Mining company as manager, and this position he still holds, being assisted by his son, Lawrence P., and by Joseph A. Harris. Beside its coal operations, the company conducts a store and carries a large stock of general merchandise, and in the latter department does a business amounting to about \$30,000 per annum.

The marriage of Mr. Cahill took place in November, 1875, to Miss Ellen Grimes, a native of Providence, R. I., the ceremony being performed in Washington, Daviess county, Ind., by Rev. Father Peythieu. This union has been blessed with two sons and five daughters, of whom the following five still survive: Lawrence P., who was confirmed at the age of fifteen years by Bishop Chatard, was educated under the Sisters of Providence at Loogootee, and at Washington, and is now an assistant to his father; Annie, who received a parochial-school education and was confirmed at the same time as her brother, Lawrence; Julia A., also confirmed by Bishop Chatard, and Ellen and Margaret. Mrs. Cahill was confirmed at Cannelton, Perry county, Ind., at the age of ten years.

In politics Mr. Cahill is a stanch democrat, and cast his first presidential vote for Samuel J. Tilden, but has never himself sought public office, his business affairs being too absorbing to permit him to trifle his time away in office seeking. In religion he and family are devout Catholics and do all in their power to advance the interests of St. Peter's church, at Montgomery, are attendants at the Mission of Ease at Cannelton, and socially they stand with the best families of the township and county.

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JAMES CALHAN, superintendent for the Hallawell Stone company, of Bedford, Lawrence county, Ind., was born in Hillsboro, Ohio, January 2, 1854, and is a son of Michael and Jane (Hurvey) Calhan, natives of Ireland, who came early in life to the

United States, were married in New York city, and afterward settled in Hillsboro, Ohio. While living in Ireland the father was for a time a member of the police force, but after coming to America worked as a laborer, but was nevertheless a money-making man and maintained his family in respectability. To him and wife were born four children, viz: James, with whose name this biographical notice opens; John, who resides at Washington Court House, Ohio; Robert, of Seneca, Ill., and George, who lives near Hillsboro, Ohio. The father of this family died in 1861, a true Catholic in faith, and his widow followed him to the grave in 1868, dying in the same blessed faith.

James Calhan, the especial subject of this article, as will be perceived by the foregoing remarks, was quite young when bereaved of his parents. At the death of his father he found employment with a farmer, and also found opportunity to attend school and secure a fair English education. At the age of seventeen years he began learning the stonecutter's trade; after finishing his apprenticeship he worked in Ironton, Ohio, a few months, adding to his experience, and then worked for some time in east Tennessee. In 1876 he went to Louisville, Ky., worked until 1879, then worked in several states; then he came to Bedford in the same year, where he continued to work at his trade until, in 1890, he was appointed superintendent of the Hallawell Stone company, a position he has since filled to the utmost of his ability and to the entire satisfaction of the company, having at the present time about eighty men under his charge.

Mr. Calhan was united in marriage November 22, 1875, to Miss Catherine Murphy, daughter of John and Catherine (Sullivan) Murphy, who were born in Ireland, but now reside on a farm near Crossville, Tenn. Mrs. Catherine Calhan was born April 18, 1858, in Washington C. H., Ohio, and was married to Mr. Calhan in Wartburg, Tenn. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Calhan has been blessed with six children, born in the following order: Catherine, Gertrude, Ellen (deceased), Grace, Esther (deceased), and James. The family belong to St. Vincent de Paul Catholic church, have a pleasant residence on Seventeenth street, and sustain an excellent standing in the social circles of Bedford.

CORNELIUS CALLAHAN, LaFayette, Ind., was born in Lindsay, Canada, August 15, 1841, son of Timothy and Ann (Hogan) Callahan, natives of county Cork, Ireland. Timothy left his native country in 1832, emigrating to Canada and locating at the town of Prescott, where for some time he was engaged in the manufacture of boots and shoes. Subsequently, he moved to Toronto, and in 1836 became a resident of Lindsay, where he carried on his trade until 1841, removing in the latter year to the town of Norwood, thence, in 1852, to Palmyra, N. Y. Four years later Mr. Callahan moved to Laporte, Ind., and there resided until 1859, at which time he went to Delphi, where he made his home until 1861, removing that year to the city of LaFayette. His wife died in January, 1861, shortly after coming to LaFayette, and he followed her to the grave in 1888, departing this life October 30, of that year. Timothy and Ann Callahan reared a family of eight children, four of whom are living at this time, viz: Margaret, widow of Judge Daily, of Delphi; Cornelius; John, a resident of LaFayette, and Edward, who resides in one of the western states.

The subject of this sketch attended school in Canada and Palmyra, N. Y., and later pursued his studies for a short time at Laporte, Ind. While in New York he spent his summer seasons as errand boy in a retail grocery house, and after locating at LaFayette engaged as clerk in the mercantile establishment of Patrick Feely, dealer in groceries, with whom he continued until 1862. In the fall of that year, he enlisted in company E, Seventy-sixth Indiana volunteer infantry, for the sixty days' service, and after serving his time went to Fort Wayne, where for a period of one year he filled a clerkship with the grocery house of Joseph Clark, a prominent merchant of that city.

Mr. Callahan returned to LaFayette in 1863, and, effecting a copartnership with his brother, John B. Callahan, carried on the retail grocery business successfully until 1868, when he disposed of his interest and accepted a position as traveling salesman with Owen, Ball & Co., in whose employ he remained about two years. Resigning this place, Mr. Callahan again embarked in the retail grocery trade, which he carried on until 1892, in November of

which year he engaged in the wholesale grocery business. He is now at the head of the well known C. Callahan Grocery company, which is incorporated with a large capital and which does a very extensive business throughout Indiana and states adjoining.

Mr. Callahan entered into the marriage relation September 19, 1867, with Martha J. Cochran, who was born in May, 1848, the daughter of Joseph and Marie (Kerr) Cochran, natives of the state of Ohio. To this marriage have been born the following children: Robert (deceased), Jerome (deceased), Joseph C., Anna T., Frank C., Maria A., David, Cornelius H., Charlie P., Arthur and Philip. Mr. Callahan and family are members of St. Mary's parish, and Mr. Callahan also belongs to the G. A. R.; in politics he wields a powerful influence for the republican party

Joseph C. Callahan, son of Cornelius and Martha J., and vice-president of the C. Callahan Wholesale Grocery company, of LaFayette, of which city he is a native, was born on the second day of April, 1871. Until his fourteenth year he attended at intervals the parochial schools, and later entered Purdue university, in the mechanical department of which he pursued his studies for three years, completing the prescribed course. After leaving the above institution, Mr. Callahan entered the employ of his father and subsequently succeeded him in the retail grocery trade, which he conducted two years. He then disposed of his stock and was elected vice-president of the C. Callahan Wholesale Grocery company, a position which he now fills. Mr. Callahan possesses business ability of a high order and has demonstrated the same since becoming officially connected with the above large firm. He is devoted to the church and all its interests and is a leading spirit in St. Mary's parish; he is also an active member of the Marquette club of LaFayette, in which he holds the office of trustee.

**M**ICHAEL CALLAHAN, fireman at the Indianapolis city water works, West Washington street, is a native of Woodbury, Hancock county, Ind., and was born October 1, 1860. He received a public-school education and began his business life as a brake-

man on the Big Four railroad, also worked as a carpenter for the same road, and was thus employed about ten years, and then worked in the machine shop of a rolling-mill in Indianapolis, and April, 1896, entered upon the duties of his present position.

John and Mary (Dwyre) Callahan, parents of Michael, were natives of county Clare, Ireland, and came to America soon after their marriage, living for a short time in Muncie, Ind., whence they moved to Woodbury. John Callahan was a farmer and was thrice married, Mrs. Mary O'Brien, of Indianapolis, being the fruit of his first union. To his second marriage were born eight children, viz: Patrick, a machinist at Terre Haute; Dennis, a locomotive fireman, of Indianapolis; Michael, the subject of this sketch; Maggie, the wife of James P. Kerns, a city employee; James, employed in Kingan's packing house; Thomas, a city employee in St. Louis, Mo.; Annie, married to Michael Carlross, of Indianapolis, and George, also an employee at Kingan's packing house. By his last marriage no children were born. The parents of subject both died in Woodbury, the father at the age of sixty-seven years, and the mother at forty-two.

Michael Callahan is still unmarried and makes his home with his sister, Mrs. Kerns. He is a faithful member of St. John's church, and of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and in politics is a democrat. He has many warm friends in Indianapolis, and is a quiet, moral and respected citizen.

JOSEPH D. CAIN, M. D., a favorite young physician and surgeon, with his office at No. 1506 East Washington street and his residence at No. 464 North West street, Indianapolis, was born in Madison, Ind., March 23, 1872, a son of Michael and Mary (O'Fallon) Cain, natives of county Roscommon, Ireland, but who in early life came to America and were married in Madison, where they resided till 1874, then removed to Indianapolis, where the father died June 26, 1876, aged forty-nine years, and the mother August 14, 1895, at the age of seventy years, having been reared from infancy, as was her husband, in the faith of the church of Rome.



To the marriage of Michael and Mary Cain were born eleven children, of whom five passed away under the age of five years. Of the survivors, Michael H. was an engineer for six years at the Indiana insane asylum, but for the past twelve years, with his brother, Thomas C., has been an engineer at the Indiana state house. Both are married and at the head of respected families. Two sisters, Ella A. and Beatrice C., are employees of the insane hospital, and Mary keeps house for subject —Dr. Joseph D. being the youngest of the family.

Dr. Cain was primarily educated at St. John's parochial school, and professionally at the Central college of Physicians & Surgeons of Indianapolis, where he devoted three years to arduous and persevering study, graduating March 24, 1897, and at once entering upon the active practice of his profession at the address above given. He was fully equipped, by education and natural ability, for the art and science which he has chosen for his life-work, and his already extensive practice gives evidence that his abilities have not been slow of recognition by the public.

The church membership of the Cain family, excepting Michael, is with St. Bridget's congregation —Michael belonging to Sts. Peter and Paul's congregation. Dr. Cain has for six years been a member of the Bessones commandery of the Knights of Father Matthew, for two years of which time he has served as financial secretary. He is a young man of strictly moral character, and, endowed as he is with highly intellectual attributes, must in the near future attain a position in the very front rank of the members of the medical profession.

**T**IMOTHY E. CALLAHAN, undertaker and embalmer of No. 231 Virginia avenue, Indianapolis, and whose residence is at No. 512 South East street, is the head of a pioneer and representative Catholic family. He was born at Batavia, Genesee county, N. Y., November 4, 1853, and is a son of Michael and Mary Callahan, natives of county Kerry, Ireland, who came to the United States in early life. They were married in Batavia, N. Y., in May, 1852, and in December, 1853, came to Indiana, locating in

Indianapolis, when their son, Timothy E., the subject of this sketch, was about seven months old.

For many years Michael Callahan was engaged on public works and is now a veteran railroad man, but is living a retired life, his home being on Lord street. His wife died June 29, 1896, at the age of sixty years, she having been much younger than her husband, who was born in 1820. Both he and she were strongly attached to the church, he being a member of the Men's sodality of St. John's church, and his record in many respects is quite remarkable. Although he has attained to the age of seventy-seven years, he has never had a lawsuit of any kind, either as prosecutor or defendant, which is mentioned as evidence of his peaceful nature, and as showing that he would prefer to suffer wrong, if necessary to do so, than enter into litigation. Mrs. Callahan was especially noted for her domestic nature and her great kindness of heart. It is said of her that, though she was born abroad and though she traveled thousands of miles to reach the city which finally became her home, she was never on a railroad car in her life, the journey from New York having been made by various water routes—lakes and canals. She and her husband became the parents of seven children—five sons and two daughters—all of whom are living, the subject of this sketch being the eldest of the family.

Timothy E. Callahan was educated in the schools of the city, and when not in school sold papers as a newsboy. During the war of the Rebellion, when Indianapolis was full of soldiers, Camps Morton and Carrington were his field of operations. In his nineteenth year Mr. Callahan began his railroad career, which lasted until October 23, 1896. At first he was porter on a passenger train; afterward he performed yard duties for two or three years, and was thus engaged by the Bee line for a couple of years, after which he took charge of the Dillon street yard, which had then just been completed. Two and a half years later he became yardmaster at East St. Louis for the Ohio & Mississippi Railway company, and when a change in the administration of the road sent all the employees adrift he returned to Indianapolis and engaged with Col. Downing to run a construction train in the





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building of the Belt line. Some months later he engaged with the Panhandle Railway company as foreman of their yard, and a few months later he was transferred to the I. & V. division, and was examined and passed as a conductor on July 1, 1881, remaining with that company as a conductor until his retirement from the service on the date above given, October 23, 1896. Thus he served as a conductor continuously for a period of more than fifteen years, which is an evidence of faithful discharge of duty and of care in the handling of his train.

Mr. Callahan was married September 25, 1880, to Miss Mary Henry, daughter of Lawrence and Mary Henry, early settlers of Indianapolis. Mrs. Callahan was born in April, 1858, and by her marriage to Mr. Callahan has two daughters and a son, viz: Lilly, Mary and Edward.

Lawrence Henry, father of Mrs. Callahan, served his country as a soldier during the war of the Rebellion in the Nineteenth Indiana volunteer infantry, and her brother, Michael, was in the One Hundred and Thirty-eighth regiment of the same state. The brothers and sisters of Mr. Callahan are all well known and highly respected. Their names are as follows: Michael, James, John, Dennis, Mary and Lilly.

**W**ILLIAM FLYNN, of No. 114 West Ray street, Indianapolis, was born in county Clare, Ireland, September 30, 1847, a son of Charles and Mary (Page) Flynn, the former a native of county Galway and the latter of county Clare, where their marriage took place. To this marriage were born two children, William and Charles, of whom the latter died in Buffalo, N. Y., in 1872. The father died in Erie, Pa., many years ago, and the mother married Daniel Ronan, a native of the same parish with herself, and to this union were born four children, viz: Lizzie, now Mrs. James Hunt, of Indianapolis; Kate, married to Albert Gaine, and living in Montreal, Canada; Anne, single; and Mary, married to Michael Scanlon, of Indianapolis. Both parents are now deceased, the mother dying in Indianapolis, in February, 1892.

William was educated in one of the National schools of Ireland and at the age of fifteen years, came to America, following his parents, who had preceded him some years, he, in the meanwhile, having remained with his grandparents. For a year after his arrival he worked as a farm laborer near Watertown, N. Y., and then, in 1863, enlisted in company H, Twenty-fifth New York cavalry, with which he served until the close of the Civil war, being in Custer's brigade, under Gen. Sheridan, in the Shenandoah valley of Virginia. He took part in the battles of Winchester, and Cedar Creek, Gordonsville, Newtown, Stevens' Station, and others in the valley, and was at the capture of Waynesboro and Early's army just before the final surrender at Appomattox Court House. He was a good, brave and faithful soldier, and passed through without bodily injury.

After receiving an honorable discharge from the service, Mr. Flynn found employment at the government stables in Washington, D. C., and was present when the horses that bore away the murderers of Abraham Lincoln were hired. May 1, 1869, Mr. Flynn reached Indianapolis, and here, with the exception of a year and a half, in 1872 and 1873, spent in Missouri, his home has ever since been maintained. In the latter year he entered the Kingan packing house, where he remained seventeen years. In 1891, he opened his present house of entertainment, which is a neat, orderly place, and is well patronized.

The marriage of Mr. Flynn took place in St. Matthew's church, Washington, D. C., January 20, 1867, to Miss Ellen T. Grady, a native of county Kerry, Ireland, and daughter of Maurice and Bridget (Conners) Grady, who were the parents of six children, viz: Ellen T., Michael, John, Dennis, Maurice and Mary. Of these, the eldest is now Mrs. Flynn; Michael died in London, England; John, Dennis and Maurice are also deceased, and Mary is the wife of James Hollorn, of Indianapolis. Mr. and Mrs. Grady made a short visit to this country, then returned to Europe and settled in London, where the mother died in 1864, and the father in 1891. To Mr. and Mrs. Flynn no children have been born.

Mr. and Mrs. Flynn have been members of St. John's church since 1869, and Mr. Flynn has been a member of the Ancient

Order of Hibernians for a quarter of a century, and is also a member of the Celtic club. Mrs. Flynn is a member of the Rosary society, of the Ladies' auxiliary to the A. O. H., No. 1, and of the Sacred Heart society. In politics Mr. Flynn is an active democrat, and was once his party's nominee for the state legislature, but withdrew prior to the election, preferring to lead a private life.

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**M**ICHAEL CALLAHAN, a respected retired railroad man, and a trustee of St. Bridget's church, Indianapolis, Ind., was born near the city of Cork, Ireland, on St. Michael's day (September 29), 1830, a son of Michael and Bridget (Hickey) Callahan, both natives of county Cork.

Michael, the subject of this notice, who had led an industrious life with his parents until his nineteenth year, came to America in 1848, landed in Boston, Mass., and for four years was employed in farming in the vicinity of that city. In 1852 he came to Indianapolis, then little more than a country village, and here he has resided ever since, adding to his wealth and reputation year by year. For forty years he has been an employee of the Big Four road, chiefly as freight receiver, if not altogether in that capacity. For the past five years he has been living in quiet retirement on his rentals, acquired through industry and judicious investment of his savings from his salary.

The marriage of Mr. Callahan took place in Salem, Mass., in 1851, to Miss Margaret Dunlay, to which marriage were born the following children: Jerry, of Indianapolis; Michael, James, Bridget, John and Eugene, all five deceased; Timothy and Anna, both married and heads of families, as was also Jerry. Mrs. Callahan was called to rest in 1889. Mr. Callahan has one brother, James, residing in Indianapolis; another brother, Eugene, is a soldier in the army of Great Britain; and another, Jeremiah, died some years since in Columbus, Ind.

For eighteen years Mr. Callahan has been a trustee of St. Bridget's church, and to him is due much credit for his energetic

labors in improving the condition of the parish, and for his expenditure of time and money in aiding the erection of the school-house and the priest's residence and in the extinguishment of the parish indebtedness, and he is to-day considered to be one of the most influential and active lay members of St. Bridget's congregation. Prior to the organization of St. Bridget's, Mr. Callahan had been a member of St. John's, and in that church became a member of the gentlemen's branch of the sodality of the Blessed Virgin, in which he holds an honored position. Mr. Callahan has a most pleasant home at No. 402 West Walnut street, where a generous hospitality is dispensed to a wide circle of warm friends, in whose esteem he holds an exalted position.

**AUGUST H. CALVELAGE**, a foreman and stockholder in the National Malleable Castings company, of Indianapolis, is a native of Ohio, born February 10, 1845, of German parentage. The parents were early settlers of Putnam county, Ohio, where the father passed the remainder of his days, dying in the faith of the Catholic church; the mother has her residence with her youngest son, Bernard, in Putnam county, Ohio, and is now eighty-three years of age, still hale and hearty, and walks a mile to church daily.

A. H. Calvelage was reared on his father's farm, but left home when a young man and for a brief space of time worked as a brick-mason for an uncle in Cleveland, but later engaged in the iron business, of which he became a master. In 1870 he married Miss Emma Grosch, a native of Staten Island, N. Y., and a daughter of Baltzer and Mary Margaret Grosch, who came to America from Germany prior to their marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Grosch removed from Staten Island, N. Y., to Cleveland, Ohio, where the mother died in 1886; the father died in February, 1888, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Calvelage, in Indianapolis. Mrs. Calvelage being the only child. To Mr. and Mrs. Calvelage have been born five children, viz: George, Louis, Mary, Robert and Nora. George was married, September 1, 1897, to Miss Katie Wall, of New Albany,



Ind., a niece of Rev. F. B. Dowd; and Mary died in infancy. George and Louis are employed in the iron works with their father, and are skilled mechanics. In 1882 the family settled in Indianapolis, and have their pleasant home at No. 112 King street, where they are surrounded by a wide circle of warm-hearted friends. They are liberal supporters of St. Anthony's church, of which a brief description is given in the sketch of the pastor, Rev. F. B. Dowd, and to the support of which they are among the most liberal contributors. Mr. Calvelage has been very successful as a business man, and deservedly enjoys the esteem of his fellow-citizens, which is extended to him without stint or restriction.

**CAPT. JAMES M. CAMPBELL**, a native of Indianapolis and a member of the fire department, was born March 25, 1864, and is a son of Hezekiah and Mary (Shea) Campbell, the former of whom is a native of North Carolina, of Revolutionary descent, and the latter of Ireland. The father is a mechanic, is a convert to Catholicity, and married Miss Shea at St. John's church, in 1863, Rev. Father Bessonies performing the ceremony matrimonial. The mother was reared a Catholic and has always been true to this faith. Of the three children born to this marriage, Frank and Charles died at the age of five and seven years respectively—the captain being the sole survivor.

James M. Campbell was educated in the parochial school attached to St. John's church. He first worked in a rolling-mill and later learned the wheelmaker's trade, at which he worked as a journeyman until March 24, 1890, when he was appointed a member of the fire department, served one year as a hoseman, and was then promoted to the captaincy of hook and ladder truck Aerial, No. 1. Capt. Campbell is still unmarried and resides with his parents at No. 54 Carlos street. He is a member of St. John's church, under the pastorate of Rev. Father Gavisk, and is a temperate, moral, nervy and exemplary young man, well deserving the high esteem in which he is universally held.

**T**HOMAS H. CAMPBELL, a prominent attorney at law of Shelbyville, was born in Johnson county, Ind., October 22, 1867, and is a son of Thomas H. and Bridget (Gillespie) Campbell. He attended the Baptist school of Franklin, Johnson county, from his sixteenth until his twenty-first year, graduating in 1888, and then, for about a year, taught school in his native county.

In the spring of 1889 Mr. Campbell came to Shelbyville and read law with Hord & Adams until his admission to the bar in May, 1892, but still remained with his preceptors until the fall of the same year, when he was elected, on the democratic ticket, prosecuting attorney for the sixteenth judicial district, of Indiana. He executed the duties pertaining to this responsible office so well, that, at the close of the term—two years—he was renominated and re-elected, and thus served four years in all. In the meantime he formed a partnership with ex-Senator A. F. Wray, which still exists under the firm name of Wray & Campbell, and stands foremost among the legal firms of the county. During his career as prosecuting attorney, Mr. Campbell most successfully handled some very difficult criminal trials, some of which rank among the causes celebres of Indiana, as, for instance, the Parker and McAfee murder trial, the Wiley murder trial, the Frank Markes and the Goldsmith murder cases.

Mr. Campbell is a member of St. Joseph's church and also of the order of the Knights of St. John, of which order he has been president, vice-president, and treasurer, two terms each.

**F**RANK CAMPBELL, M. D., of Shelbyville, a son of Thomas H. and Bridget (Gillespie) Campbell, and a younger brother of Thomas H. Campbell, the attorney, whose biographical sketch is given above, was born in Johnson county, Ind., February 27, 1869. He was primarily educated in a parochial school, which he attended until fifteen years of age, and then, for four years, was a student in the Baptist college at Franklin, Ind. After graduation, he was employed for two years as a clerk in a furniture store in Shelbyville, and then commenced the reading of medicine at

Needham, Ind., under Dr. I. C. Fisher, remaining under his preceptorship six months. Entering the medical college of Indiana in 1892, he was graduated March 29, 1895, and in April of the same year settled in Shelbyville for practice, and has met with the most flattering success, as a general practitioner under the allopathic, or old school, system.

Dr. Campbell is a member of St. Joseph's church, and of the Knights of St. John, having been treasurer of the latter since 1896, and, since his residence in Shelbyville, has had charge of Gordon's Orphans' home. In politics he is a democrat, and socially is greatly esteemed by the entire community. He is a member of Shelby county Medical society, Indiana state Medical society, American Medical society, and is also examiner for several well-known insurance companies.

**M**ICHAEL CANEY, the well-known and popular proprietor of the livery and feed stables on North Third street, Vincennes, Ind., was born in Brown county, Ohio, July 3, 1857, a son of Patrick and Bridget (Welsh) Caney, both natives of county Galway, Ireland, where they were married and where three of their children, also, were born.

Patrick Caney, on coming to America, located in Kentucky about 1851, but later moved to Brown county, Ohio, where he followed the vocations of farmer and contractor. Of his children, Thomas, the first born, died in infancy; Mary is the wife of Edward King, a foreman on the Indianapolis & Vincennes railroad and residing in Sanborn, Ind.; Daniel died in childhood; Margaret is married to James Caney, a contractor of Terre Haute, Ind.; Bridget is living with her father on a farm near Vincennes; Michael comes next in order of birth; Peter died in young manhood, and Patrick H. is a physician and surgeon of Vincennes, where the parents settled in 1881, and where the mother died in 1884.

Michael Caney, the subject of this memoir, received a good common-school education, was reared a farmer, and until February, 1891, owned and cultivated a farm located six miles southeast of Vincennes. Selling his land, Mr. Caney, at the date

mentioned, moved to the city and united with H. A. Emison in the livery business. He has one of the best-equipped livery and feed stables in Knox county and enjoys a lucrative patronage. May 9, 1881, Mr. Caney married Miss Helen Steffey, a native of Bruceville, Knox county, Ind., and to this happy union have been born four children, of whom two died in infancy; Biddie Louisa is a little Miss of twelve years, and Edith died at the age of five. Mr. and Mrs. Caney are devout Catholics and worship at St. Francis Xavier cathedral. In politics Mr. Caney is a free-silver democrat, and as a citizen he is both popular and respected.

REV. JOSEPH J. FREWIN, pastor in charge of St. Joseph's parish, Terre Haute, was born in county Tipperary, Ireland, on the 21st day of June, 1843, and came to the United States in 1861. He attended St. Francis college, Brooklyn, N. Y., for some years, following which he taught for a time at Kingston on the Hudson, and at Brooklyn, and later completed his ecclesiastical course at Syracuse, N. Y., and Trenton, N. J. He was ordained priest at the latter place June 11, 1883, by Bishop O'Farrell, and his first active work was a mission in Albany, N. Y., where he remained for a period of three years, performing many arduous labors in the meantime.

Severing his connection with the Brooklyn mission, Father Frewin came to Terre Haute, Ind., as assistant pastor of St. Joseph's parish, the duties of which position he discharged in a very efficient manner for a period of nine years, being transferred at the end of that time to Hoboken, N. J., as pastor of St. Joseph's church at that place. After remaining for some time in Hoboken he returned October 19, 1896, to Terre Haute, as rector of St. Joseph's church, which position he fills at this time. Father Frewin is a man of wide scholarship, an eloquent pulpit orator, and in the discharge of his manifold duties has demonstrated more than ordinary talent as pastor and spiritual adviser. His labors have been arduous, but, being an indefatigable worker, he has slighted no duty, and it can be truthfully said that his whole life





REV. JOSEPH J. FREWIN.



ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH AND PARSONAGE,

TERRE HAUTE, IND.





has been a sacrifice to duty bravely and uncomplainingly performed in behalf of his beloved church and people. The parish of St. Joseph's is one of the largest and most flourishing in western Indiana, and under the spiritual guidance of its blessed rector is constantly increasing in numbers and influence. In addition to his duties as rector, Father Frewin is also guardian of St. Joseph's convent, Terre Haute.

**P**ATRICK CANGANY, with his residence at No. 823 Meikel street, Indianapolis, Ind., was born in Boston, Mass., April 18, 1858, and is a son of Thomas and Bridget (McGrath) Cangany, natives of county Tipperary, Ireland, where their marriage took place. They came to America in or about 1852, and for nearly ten years resided in Boston, Mass., whence they went to Kentucky, where the father died August 25, 1883; his widow is now living with her son, John, in Lexington.

To the marriage of Thomas and Bridget Cangany were born nine children, viz: Ellen, the wife of James Slaven, of Lexington, Ky.; Mary, married to John Teller, of Indianapolis, Ind.; Bridget, now Mrs. Patrick O'Malia, also of this city; Margaret, who is married to Thomas Cookson, and also lives in Indianapolis; Daniel, who died when twenty-two years old in Lexington, Ky.; Patrick, the subject of this sketch; John, at whose home the mother is passing her declining years; Annie, who died in infancy, and Thomas, a resident of Covington, Ky.

Patrick Cangany was educated in the parochial schools of Lexington, Ky., and began his business life as an employee in a rope and twine-walk in that city, a business he followed several years. At the age of twenty he married Miss Annie Boyce, a native of county Donegal, Ireland, the ceremony being celebrated by the Very Rev. Father Bessonies, at St. John's church, Indianapolis, in 1879. Ten children have blessed this happy union, of whom seven are still living—Daniel, Kate, Ann, William, Edward, Joseph and Agnes; the deceased bore the names of Mary, Thomas and Allie, and died between the ages of two and four years; the surviving children are all attendants at the parochial school.

The family are members of St. John's church, and Mr. Cangany is also a member of the Catholic Knights of America and the Ancient Order of Hibernians. In politics he is a democrat, and is active in the advocacy of the free-silver doctrine.

**E**DWARD JOSEPH CANTWELL, the accomplished operator for the Western Union Telegraph company, with residence on North Pine street, Indianapolis, is a native of this city and was born December 1, 1864.

Michael and Bridget (Moore) Cantwell, parents of Edward J., were natives of county Tipperary, Ireland, were married in their native land, and came to the United States in 1847. They sojourned a year in New York city, and in 1848 came to Indianapolis, where the father followed his trades of patternmaker and millwright until his death, which occurred August 6, 1885, his widow surviving until October 25, 1894. Their family consisted of five children, who were named, in order of birth, Harriet, Thomas, Alice, Stephen and Edward, of whom Stephen only has been called away. Thomas is an operator with the Western Union company and resides on Tacoma avenue, Alice is the wife of John Ryan, formerly a locomotive engineer, but now engaged in the lumber business, and the elder sister is still single.

Edward J. Cantwell was educated in St. Joseph's parochial school, completing the entire course and receiving a thorough English training. He learned telegraphy with the Western Union company, and has never been employed by any other corporation. He was united in marriage, September 30, 1896, with Miss Mary O'Connor, a native of Dublin, Ireland, and a daughter of Bernard and Theresa O'Connor, the former of whom still resides in the Irish capital, but the latter of whom is deceased. One child has come to bless this union of Mr. and Mrs. Cantwell, was born July 26, 1897, and is named Edward Michael. Mr. and Mrs. Cantwell are active and earnest workers in the church of their forefathers, being members of St. Joseph's congregation of Indianapolis, to the support of which they liberally contribute. Mr. Cantwell is

well qualified for the position which he holds, being both an expert telegrapher and an accommodating, affable and genial gentleman, and with his wife shares largely of the respect which the citizens of Indianapolis always accord to merit and intelligence.

**M**RS. JOANNA CARGETT, widow of Jacob Cargett, who was a patriot of the late Civil war and who eventually died from injuries received in the service, has been a resident of St. Patrick's parish, Indianapolis, ever since her marriage, and has her home on Prospect street.

Jacob Cargett was born in Switzerland about the year 1844, but was a mere child when he lost his father. Soon after her bereavement, the mother came to the United States, Jacob being at that time about nine years old, bringing her family. Jacob, however, had been permitted to receive his first communion, at that early age, on account of the danger in crossing the ocean, but the family, consisting of the mother, Jacob and his three sisters, arrived safely in this country and had proceeded west as far as Toledo, Ohio, where the anticipated danger was encountered, resulting in the death of the mother and two elder daughters from cholera, the catastrophe leaving Jacob and his youngest sister orphans in a strange land. Soon after this sad event, Jacob succeeded in finding a home in a Baptist family, and with whom he remained until seventeen years old, when he left the family, refusing to become an apostate from his early faith, and deeming that he had been unkindly and even harshly treated on that account.

At this time the Civil war had become a fixed fact, and Jacob Cargett seized the opportunity. He enlisted in the Fourteenth Ohio volunteer infantry, and for three years took part in some of the hardest-fought battles of the war, and was severely wounded at Chickamauga, this wound being the eventual cause of his death. After returning from the army, he followed the trade of bricklaying, of which he had acquired some knowledge before enlisting, and later became a contractor, which was his calling until his death, May 31, 1884, in Indianapolis.

The marriage of Mr. Cargett took place in 1869, in Toledo, Ohio, to Miss Joanna Webb, who was born in Lockport, N. Y., a daughter of William and Mary (Carroll) Webb, natives of Limerick, Ireland, but who removed from New York to Michigan, where the remainder of their years were passed. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Cargett was solemnized by Rev. Father Hannan, Mrs. Cargett having made her first communion at the home of the mother of Rev. Father Cooney. After their marriage the young couple at once settled in the present home of Mrs. Cargett, which Mr. Cargett had already prepared, and here, with the exception of two years, Mrs. Cargett has since lived. The children born to Mr. and Mrs. Cargett are three in number, and in the order of birth were named Mary, who is the wife of Rollie Stiltz; Margaret, wife of Roderic Fielding, and William A., all of Indianapolis, and all sincere Catholics.

Of Jacob Cargett it should be said that he was an upright citizen and was respected by all who knew him. He was a faithful soldier, was a member of Chapman post, G. A. R., and of St. Boniface society. His lamented death was the cause of great sorrow to his bereaved family, but it has been a consolation to know that it was the result of his bravery on the battle field in defending the flag that now protects their home.

REV. BONAVENTURE HAMMER, O. F. M., was born in Durmersheim, a thriving village near Carlsruhe, the capital of the grand duchy of Baden, Germany, on the 23d of June, 1842. In 1846 his parents came to the United States and settled at Pittsburgh, Pa. In 1855 they sent him to St. Vincent's college, Westmoreland county, Pa., where he entered upon his classical studies. Among his schoolmates were the Right Rev. Joseph Rademacher, the present bishop of Fort Wayne; the Right Rev. A. Watterson, now bishop of Columbus, Ohio; the Right Rev. Abbot Innocent Wolf, O. S. B., of Atchison, Kans., and the Right Rev. Hilary Pfraengle, O. S. B., abbot of Newark, N. J.

In 1860 he went to Cincinnati, Ohio, and entered the Fran-



REV. BONAVENTURE HAMMER, O. F. M.



ciscan order on the 4th of October of that year, being among the first that joined the order in this country. After completing his philosophical and theological studies, he was ordained priest on the 5th of August, 1865, in the cathedral of Cincinnati, by the Right Rev. Sylvester H. Rosecrans, then auxiliary bishop of the archdiocese. After his ordination he was engaged in the sacred ministry at Cincinnati; Louisville, Ky.; Hamilton, Ohio; Oldenburg, Ind., and Detroit, Mich. In 1866, while at Louisville, he succeeded in establishing the *Glaubensbote*, a German Catholic weekly, now in its thirty-third year.

In the course of time his literary tastes led him to retire from the more active duties of the ministry, and he is now engaged principally in writing for the Franciscan monthlies published in Cincinnati, viz: the *Sendbote*, the *St. Franciscus Bote*, *St. Anthony's Messenger*, and the *Sodalist*. He selected the quiet city of LaFayette, in the beautiful valley of the Wabash, as his place of residence, thinking it eminently suited to foster literary research. He has been an inmate of the pastoral residence attached to St. Boniface's church since the 20th of April, 1882. A writer in a recent number of the *LaFayette Morning Journal* says of him:

Sauntering along leisurely, his head high in the air, with more the manner of a stranger sight-seeing than a resident of nearly sixteen years, there may be seen on our streets at intervals a man of large proportions in the garb of a clergyman. His manner is impressive but the lines of his countenance are not indicative of the strength of mind and character within. If one were to say to you, "See, there goes the man who made the German translation of *Ben-Hur*, copyrighted in Germany; a translation which preserves the beauties of the original so faithfully and in such pure and choice German that it has reached more editions abroad than the English version has at home," your curiosity would no doubt be roused but your credulity would be piqued. Yet such is the fact. Father Bonaventure Hammer, a member of the Franciscan order, who resides on North street in the brick parsonage behind the German Catholic church, is a much more distinguished man than his modesty will permit us to realize. He resides here in retirement, without any pastoral labors, to prosecute his literary work. He contributes continually to German periodicals, has written a number of controversial and devotional works, and is the author of a book now in its nineteenth edition. His name is a light in current

German literature. Nevertheless, his pen is quite as facile when composing in English. Father Hammer is of a retiring disposition, wedded to his work, modest but energetic, as attested by the few people in LaFayette who know of so distinguished a man among us.

Among the publications of "Father Bonaventure," as he is universally known, are essays and poems of no mean order. His celebrated translation of General Wallace's "Ben Hur" is considered his crowning literary achievement. It was published by one of the largest publishing firms in Europe, the *Deutsche Verlagsanstalt* in Stuttgart and Leipsic, in 1888, and had reached, in 1894, the twenty-fifth edition. To signalize this unprecedented success, a superb illustrated edition of the work was placed before the public. Of this translation one of the largest and most popular magazines of Germany, *Ueber Land und Meer*, says: "The translation reads like an original. To render it thus perfect, more was required than a mere knowledge of languages and adaptability of style."

Besides his editorial contributions to the Franciscan magazines mentioned above, Father Bonaventure is the author of an astonishing number of volumes on various subjects. Among his English works are: Explanation of the Epistles and Gospels; Life of Mother Schervier; Life of Christ; Life of Jesus for Children; Spiritual Retreat; Seraphic Guide; Spiritual Treasury; Bread of Angels; Manna, Instructions for Children; Manual of the Holy Family; Manual of Indulged Prayers; Sacred Heart Prayer-book; Outlines of Church History. His "Exercises of an Eight Days' Retreat" was honored by the following flattering recommendation, addressed to the publisher, B. Herder, St. Louis.

Dear Sir: In addition to the formal Imprimatur given to the excellent work of Rev. Bonaventure Hammer, O. F. M., entitled, "The Spiritual Exercises of an Eight Days' Retreat," we wish to commend this book in a special manner to the Rev. clergy and religious, as well as to the pious laity, as a safe guide in those important matters which concern the soul's dearest interests.

JOHN J. KAIN,  
Archbishop of St. Louis.



The German books written by Father Bonaventure exceed the number of thirty, and comprise history, biography, drama, instruction and devotion. In the spring of 1898 he published, under the title: "Die Katholische Kirche in den Vereinigten Staaten," the first complete history of the Catholic church in the United States written in the German language. This book, issued simultaneously in Germany and this country, received unqualified praise from many competent and conscientious critics.

Father Bonaventure has also contributed much valuable information which has been made use of in this Historical Record of the Catholic Church in Indiana, for which the publishers extend to him their thanks. Among his contributions are biographies of a number of the deceased clergy of LaFayette, and of others, in this volume, and for the first volume an article on Early Times in the Diocese of Fort Wayne, biographies of deceased bishops and vicars-general, diocesan and charitable institutions, churches and schools of LaFayette, and other information of general value.

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**F**RANK CANNON, a popular merchant tailor of Greencastle, Putnam county, Ind., and a highly respected citizen, was born in county Donegal, Ireland, October 16, 1842, a son of John and Bridget (Burns) Cannon, also natives of county Donegal, where they passed their lives and died in the faith of the Catholic church, which had been that of their ancestors for generations past and gone. Of the children born to John Cannon and wife, five sons have come to America, viz: Barney, a resident of Northumberland, Pa., who was the first to come; the others came in the following order: Frank, John, Dennis and Cornelius, all residents of Indiana.

Frank Cannon was about twenty years of age when he landed in this country. For a year or two he lived in Northumberland county, Pa., then came to Indiana, making his home in Indianapolis until 1870, when he came to Greencastle, which has since been his home. He had learned his trade before coming to this country, and learned it thoroughly, and wherever he has resided

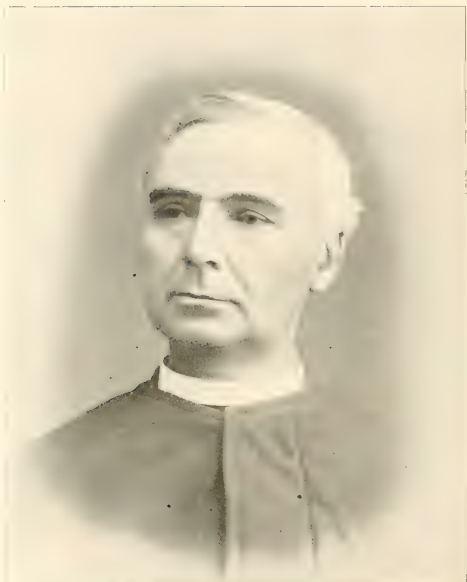
has been recognized as an expert—being now the nonpareil merchant tailor of Greencastle.

Mr. Cannon was united in matrimony, in Indianapolis, in the month of April, 1870, with Miss Kate Carr, the marriage being blessed with ten children, of whom three are deceased. He and family all belong to St. Paul's congregation, to the support of which the parents freely contribute of their means, and aid, as well, in all works designed for the public good. Personally, Mr. Cannon is a warm-hearted, genial gentleman, is very courteous and accommodating in his treatment of his patrons, and these good qualities, added to his professional skill, have made him the successful business man and respected citizen that he is.

VERY REV. LOUIS GUEGUEN, rector of St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, at Vincennes, Ind., was born in Brittany, France, February 25, 1834. He acquired his classical education at Plouguernevel, in his native canton of Rostvenue, department of Cotes du Nord, and then entered the Grand seminary of the diocese of St. Brioux, where he pursued his theological studies until 1859 and was ordained deacon. The same year he accompanied Bishop de St. Palais to the United States and was, by that bishop, ordained priest in the cathedral of Vincennes, Ind., December 8, 1859. His first permanent charge was at the church of the Assumption, in Floyd county, Ind., where he remained three years, but previous to taking charge of this church he was sent, for a short time, to Madison, and later to Washington, Ind. He was next transferred to the church of the Holy Trinity, New Albany, Ind., but his stay there was of short duration, when he was transferred to Loogootee, in Martin county, and given charge also of St. Mary's church, in Daviess county. He was next sent, in 1885, to St. Michael's church, in Madison, Ind., and remained there until November, 1890, when he was transferred to Vincennes, becoming rector of the cathedral, where he has remained until the present.

Father Gueguen celebrated his first mass in Vincennes, as the pastor, November 30, 1890, it being the first Sunday in Advent.





*Rev. L. Guiguen*



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER'S CATHEDRAL,  
VINCENNES, IND.



He quickly gained the esteem and good will of the congregation, and the members generously co-operate with him in all he undertakes for the benefit of the church. The church debt, when he came, amounted to almost \$9,000, but by his industry and skillful management of the temporalities of the church, he has steadily reduced it until it is now only \$2,000. At the same time he has made many and lasting improvements to the church and the church property.

Father Gueguen is very sociable and frequently calls upon members of his congregation at their residences and places of business and is always a welcome visitor. His name is the latest addition to that long line of pastors who have devoted their energies and talents to the service of God in the Catholic church at Vincennes. That list of pastors who have served at the altar of St. Francis Xavier contains the names of many distinguished priests who went elsewhere and attained eminence in the hierarchy of the church—among them Bishop Flaget, Bishop Rosati, Father Rivet, Bishop Blanc, and many others whose names will ever be remembered by Catholics, and the present rector of St. Francis Xavier cathedral is a worthy successor of these illustrious prelates.

JOSEPH M. CARLON, secretary and treasurer of the White River Sand company, of Indianapolis, was born in this city May 23, 1875, a son of John and Fanny (Reilly) Carlon, the former of whom is a native of Ireland; the latter was born in Vermont, but was called from earth in June, 1887, after having borne her husband five children, viz: Charles H., John E., George T., Joseph M. and Frederick A. Of these five, Charles was a member of the real estate firm of Welch & Carlon, of Indianapolis, but passed away at the age of twenty-eight years; John was a practicing physician in this city, and died when twenty-six years old; George is employed in the office of his father, who is the senior of the firm of Carlon & Hollenbeck, printers and publishers, of Indianapolis; Joseph M. is the gentleman whose name opens this paragraph, and Frederick is a student in the Indianapolis high school.

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Joseph M. Carlon was educated at St. Viateur college, Kankakee, Ill., from which he graduated, at the conclusion of his four years' course, in the spring of 1891, and then entered the Indiana State university, from which he graduated in the spring of 1895 with the degree of A. B. On the death of his brother Charles, he became a member of the firm of Welch & Carlon, but in 1896, his health failing, he went to the Adirondack mountains, N. Y., where he passed fifteen months. December 6, 1897, he purchased a half interest in the White River Sand company, of which full mention is made in the biography of Maurice D. Cleary. Mr. Carlon is a young gentleman of broad culture and of exceptionally good business attainments, and has made many valuable business acquaintances and friends since his entrance into the practical affairs of life in this city. He is a representative of one of the most prominent Catholic families of Marion county, is a member of Sts. Peter and Paul's church, under the ministration of the Right Rev. Francis Silas Chatard. Mr. Carlon is a member, also, of the Celtic club, and in politics is a democrat.

**W**ILLIAM CARNEY, a well-to-do citizen of Richmond, Ind., and a practical engineer, was born in county Roscommon, Ireland, on the 14th day of March, 1837, a son of Patrick and Catherine T. Carney.

Patrick Carney was born in the parish of Oren, county Roscommon, was a drayman, and in 1835 was married, by Rev. Patrick Hanley, to Catherine Turion, who was also born in county Roscommon, in 1803, and this union was blessed with five children, viz: John, who is now a farmer of Pettis county, Mo.; Mary, wife of John Cahill; Margaret; Bridget, wife of Martin Egan; and William, all of Richmond, Ind. The father of this family died in county Roscommon in 1847, and the mother in Richmond, Ind., in 1871, her remains being interred in St. Mary's cemetery.

William Carney attended school in Ireland until twelve years of age and then for two years worked on a farm. In 1857 he came to America, and for three months was employed in a livery stable



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in New York city; then for five months worked on a farm on Long Island, whence he went to Monmouth county, N. J., worked nine months as a farm hand, and then came to Richmond, Ind., and secured employment on the Great Eastern railroad, carrying water for a section gang for three months; he was then promoted to be brakeman on a construction train, and a year later was appointed fireman on a locomotive, which position he held four years, when he was appointed engineer, a calling he followed fourteen years. In 1873 he entered the employ of Gaar, Scott & Co., of Richmond, as a machinist, and remained with this firm three years, and was then employed for two years as engineer at the Fleecedale mill. From 1878 until 1882 he was engaged in the manufacture of gas for the Richmond Gas company, and since then has been employed as engineer in the Richmond Roller mills.

In 1875 Mr. Carney was united in marriage by Rev. D. J. McMullen, at St. Mary's church, to Miss Lucy Kelly, of Richmond, and this marriage has been blessed with three children, viz: Patrick, who is a stenographer by profession, and at present is in the employ of the Richmond Lawn Mower company; May and Lucy are attending school. Mr. Carney has led an honest, temperate, economical life, and by his frugality has acquired several pieces of valuable property in the city, and also a first-class farm on the Williamsburg pike, seven miles distant. In politics he is a sound democrat, and an earnest advocate of free silver. He and family are devoted members of St. Mary's congregation, and are very liberal in their contributions to the support of the church and in promoting its good work.

**J**OHAN T. CARR, dealer in groceries and meats, at Nos. 540 and 542 South Missouri street, Indianapolis, was born in the building which he still occupies, October 26, 1866, a son of Thomas and Hannah (Connelly) Carr, natives of county Galway, Ireland, but who came to America in youth and were married in Indianapolis in October, 1859.

Thomas Carr, the father, was a contractor in Indianapolis for several years, but later engaged in mercantile trade and was thus

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employed at the time of his death, which took place February 12, 1874, at the age of thirty-four years. His widow still occupies the old home where her happy married life was spent, and is the mother of two children—Mary and John T. Of these, Mary is the widow of James Craghan, who was formerly an employee at Kingan's packing house, and has five children—Andrew, Thomas, James, Hannah and Willie; John T. is the subject of this biographical record.

John T. Carr was educated in St. John's school, was later, for three years and eight months a member of the city fire department, and then became the successor of his father in the present business, in which he has made a gratifying success. He was united in marriage at St. John's church, October 26, 1887, by Rt. Rev. Father Bessonies, to Miss Margaret O'Neil, who was born in county Kerry, Ireland, a daughter of Daniel and Honora O'Neil, and came to America in childhood. Mr. and Mrs. Carr have been blessed with one bright little daughter—Mabel, born January 7, 1889, now attending school. Mr. and Mrs. Carr are devout Catholics, and Mr. Carr is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. In politics he is a democrat, but has never been an office seeker, preferring to give his attention to his mercantile business, which, through his close attention, has been wrought up to the highest point of prosperity. He and family maintain a high social position and are greatly esteemed throughout their ward, parish and the city in general, or wherever their names are known.

**J**OHAN CARROLL, an active and efficient member of the Indianapolis fire department, attached to hook and ladder company No. 1, is a native of parish Kilmoily, county Kerry, Ireland, was born January 21, 1867, and is the eldest of the seven children born to Patrick and Ellen (Cook) Carroll, who still reside in their native land, but of whose children four have come to America. In order of birth, those beside John are named Johanna, Thomas, Patrick, Catherine, James and Nicholas, and of these, Patrick, James and Nicholas are still at home; Johanna is the wife of James T. Car-

roll, a mail carrier of Columbus, Ohio; Thomas and Catherine reside in Indianapolis.

John Carroll, of whom this memoir has most to say, received a very good education in the National schools of Ireland, remained at the parental home until his twenty-third year, and then embarked, May 21, 1891, at Queenstown, Ireland, on board the good steamer *Catalonia* for New York, landing at Castle Garden June 2. From the commercial emporium of America he came to the west direct and found employment on a farm at Huntsville, Ohio, for about nine months; he then visited Anderson, Ind., where he had relatives, but returned to Huntsville; shortly afterward, he received a dispatch from Anderson, stating that a position was open for him, and thither he again went, and for six months, or so, was employed in the wire nail works. From Anderson he came to Indianapolis in June, 1893, and July 2, following, entered the employ of the Big Four railroad company as a freight-house hand. While in this employ he was appointed, October 14, 1895, to his present position, which he has filled in the most satisfactory manner to the present hour.

Mr. Carroll is a sincere Catholic and a constant attendant at the ministrations of Very Rev. Father Gavisk, pastor of St. John's church, to which congregation he belongs. Mr. Carroll has a large societary connection, being a member of Bronson council, No. 272, Young Men's institute, and of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, of which he was secretary for several years; he is also a member of the Celtic club and the Irish Americans, and holds good standing in all. In politics he is a democrat, but, irrespective of party or religion, he has friends wherever he goes, and deserves them.

JOHN E. CARR, assistant superintendent of the Prudential Life Insurance company at Indianapolis, is a native of Kenosha, Wis., was born December 1, 1863, and is a son of Manies and Mary (Laughlin) Carr, natives of Ireland—the former of county Donegal and the latter of Dublin—who came to America at the

respective ages of sixteen and fourteen years, and were married in Kenosha. The father, who had learned the trade of tanner and currier, came with his family to Indianapolis in 1881, and here died March 3, 1883, a devout Catholic; his widow now makes her home with her daughter in this city. Of the three sons and three daughters born to Manies and Mary Carr, the eldest, Mrs. Ellen McBride, resides in St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Rose Freany is a resident of Indianapolis; John E. is the subject of this notice; Edward was killed in a railroad accident at Crestline, Ohio; James, unmarried, lives in Indianapolis, and Minnie died in childhood.

John E. Carr received his early education in the parochial schools of Kenosha, Wis., and on coming to Indianapolis, Ind., in 1881, with his parents, served an apprenticeship in the boiler shops at Brightwood belonging to the Big Four Railroad company, and for twelve years followed boilermaking for a livelihood. He then turned his attention to life insurance, beginning as solicitor for the Prudential company; at the close of three months he was promoted to the position of inspector, and then to that of assistant manager, and has now filled the last-named situation for three years—or four years in all—with fine offices at Nos. 33 and 34 Ingalls building.

The marriage of Mr. Carr took place in Indianapolis February 25, 1892, the bride being Miss Maggie Monaghan and the officiating clergyman the Rev. Father O'Donaghue. Mrs. Carr was born in Greencastle, Ind., a daughter of Timothy and Ellen Monaghan, natives of Ireland, and received an excellent education in Indianapolis. But after five short years of wedded bliss the fell destroyer entered the happy home of Mr. Carr and deprived him of his wife August 20, 1897. Her remains were borne from St. Patrick's church to their last resting place, followed by a large concourse of loving and sympathizing friends, and Mr. Carr is left disconsolate; but, being a member of St. Patrick's church, finds some relief from grief through its consoling influence. He is a gentleman of fine business ability, and yet in the early years of manhood, and though his present hours be darkened by sorrow, Time, the great restorer, will have for him a future that will be as prosperous as the past has been.

MARTIN CARR, foreman of Kingan's stables, in Indianapolis, Ind., was born in county Galway, Ireland, on St. Martin's day, November 9, 1851. He is a son of Michael and Catherine (Quinn) Carr, natives of the same county, in which the former still lives, and in which the latter lies buried, having died in 1865. The subject of this sketch is the eldest of the children that are still living and the only living son. The others are Mary, wife of Martin Quinn, an employee in Kingan's Packing house; Catherine, wife of Thomas McCarty, a motorman on the city street railway system, and Honora, who still remains in Ireland as housekeeper for her father, who has never remarried.

Martin Carr came to the United States and located in Indianapolis in June, 1871, being then twenty years of age. His first employment here was in the capacity of "water boss" on the L., D. & S. railway for a short time. Then one year was spent as coachman for Col. Ricketts, then president of the Jeffersonville Railway company, and in 1873 he entered the employ of Kingan & Co. Since that time, with the exception of three years, he has been in the employ of this firm, those three years being spent in charge of the Bates house stables. When he began working for the Kingan company there were but two horses in the stables, but as the business increased the number of horses increased, until at the present time he has charge of sixty. He also has twelve men under his charge.

Mr. Carr was married at St. Bridget's church, by Rev. Father Curran, May 5, 1887, to Miss Kate McCarty, sister of Thomas McCarty, mentioned earlier in this sketch. She is a daughter of Lawrence McCarty, a native of Ireland, in which country she was herself born. To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Carr there have been born three children: Catherine, Mary and Martin, Jr., all of whom are living. The family are members of St. Bridget's church, of which Rev. Father Curran is pastor. Mr. Carr is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and in politics is a democrat, though he is not in any sense of the term an office-seeker, being content to perform his duties as a private citizen and as an employee trusted by the company for which he works. So thoroughly do his employers trust him that he has practically the buying and selling

of the horses for the stables over which he has charge, and his capacity to fill his responsible position has been abundantly demonstrated by his long years of service therein.

REV. FERDINAND KOERDT, pastor of St. Peter's church at Fort Wayne, Ind., was born in Oestinghausen, Westphalia, Germany, August 23, 1853, a son of Henry and Catherine Koerd. The father was a farmer, and was called from earth March 9, 1886.

During his boyhood days Ferdinand attended the schools of his native village until the age of twelve years, then took private lessons for eight months, and began his collegiate course at Beckum, in September, 1866, entering the fourth class. After three years in college he entered the Royal gymnasium of Paderborn, and two years later, October 31, 1871, the young man began his course of philosophy and theology at Muenster, and after three years' study he took charge of a private high school one year. The "May Laws," probably better known as the Cultur Kampf, became very obnoxious, and made life exceedingly unpleasant for many a student preparing for the sacred ministry. In consequence, young Mr. Koerd. departed for America in August, 1875. He entered Mount St. Mary's seminary, Cincinnati, as a student for the diocese of Fort Wayne, October 13, of the same year, and ten months afterward, July 8, 1876, was ordained to the priesthood by the late Right Rev. Bishop Dwenger, in the cathedral at Fort Wayne. Father Koerd. was first appointed pastor of the St. Aloysius church, Sheldon, July 31, 1876, having in charge St. Joseph's congregation at Bluffton, Ind., as a mission, for twenty years, and July 3, 1896, was appointed to his present pastorate at Fort Wayne. During his residence in Sheldon he was very energetic and erected the pastoral residence, a fine two-story brick, at a cost of \$4,000, and a two-story brick school-house, costing \$3,500; also the Sisters' house, \$1,500, and, having been the first resident priest there, organized the various societies of the parish, built up everything, paid all indebtedness, and placed \$1,000 of the church funds at interest.





*J. Koerdt*





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Rev. Father Koerdt has been very zealous in advancing the interests of his church, and is greatly beloved by his congregation for his piety and unceasing efforts in their behalf. Father Koerdt was appointed, in 1883, school examiner of the diocese; then, in addition to this, he was appointed secretary of the board in 1892, both of which positions he still holds. He was appointed, in 1885, defensor of the matrimonial court, and in 1892 was appointed diocesan director of the Holy Family; was secretary of the theological conference from 1877 until 1895, and has been secretary of the diocesan synods since 1880.

**T**HOMAS P. CARROLL, of Indianapolis, is a native of county Kerry, Ireland, and was born near the famous lakes of Killarney July 12, 1871, a son of Patrick and Ellen (Cook) Carroll. Thomas received a sound education in the National school of his native county, acquiring, during his studies, a thorough knowledge of business affairs.

The Carroll family consists of the father, mother, five sons and two daughters, the children having been born in the following order: John, a member of the Indianapolis fire department; Hannah, wife of James Carroll, of Columbus, Ohio, the husband being a letter carrier; Thomas P. is the subject of this memoir; Patrick still remains in the land of his birth; Kate is housekeeper, at present, for her father and two brothers in Indianapolis, and James and Nicholas are at home with their mother in romantic county Kerry.

Thomas P. Carroll left his native land in 1892 and came direct to Indianapolis; was here employed at the Vandalia freight depot and by the Kingan Packing company up to 1898, and is now employed in the Big Four freight depot. He is a member of St. John's church, under the pastorate of Rev. Father Gavisk, and is also a member of the Young Men's institute, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, in which he has filled a responsible position, and is secretary of the Irish-American club, being especially active in the good work of the church and its sodalities. In fact, the Carroll

family has always been prominent in the affairs of the Catholic church, both in Ireland and America, and the father of the family, Patrick Carroll, who is simply here on a prolonged visit to his children, will soon return to his wife and children in county Kerry, to pass the remainder of his days with them and to continue his usefulness to the church which holds its broad mantle over them all.

**W**ILLIAM THOMAS CARTON, the gentleman for whom this sketch is prepared, is a trusted employee of the Belt shops, Indianapolis, and an active member of St. John's church.

His father, Andrew Carton, was born in Liverpool, England, of Irish parentage, and the mother, whose maiden name was Mary Jones, was a native of Ireland. These parents were married in New Jersey and died in Indianapolis in the years 1892 and 1891, respectively. Andrew Carton first came to Indianapolis as an employee of the United States government in the construction of the arsenal, and by occupation was a brickmaker. He reared a family of three sons and four daughters: Mary, Hugh (deceased), William, Annie, Katie, John and Julia; none of those living are married, and all live at the old home where the parents died. They are members of St. John's church and highly esteemed for their devotion to the religion in which they were trained by pious parents.

William Thomas Carton was born in Indianapolis December 17, 1861, and has passed his life thus far within the limits of his native city. After attending school for some years, he began learning his trade of boilermaking at the Atlas Engine works, and in due time became a very skillful workman. During the past fourteen years he has held a position in the Belt shops, which fact sufficiently attests his efficiency and the esteem in which he is held by his employers. As already stated, he is a devoted Catholic, and takes an active interest in the Young Men's institute, of which he is a member. Politically Mr. Carton is a democrat, but has never been known as an aggressive partisan.

**T**HOMAS F. CASEY, the fashionable hatter at No. 8, east side of the square, LaFayette, Ind., is a native of this city and was born November 29, 1862, a son of Patrick and Mary (Farrell) Casey, the former of whom was born in Roscommon county and the latter in county Longford, Ireland.

Patrick Casey was a single young man when he came to the United States, accompanied by his sister, Margaret, who married Owen Kielty, and died in Minnesota in 1864; Patrick, father of subject, met and married Mary Farrell in LaFayette. For ten long years Mr. Casey was a railroad employee in the supply department, but was economical and judicious in the expenditure of his earnings, and for ten years, also, was able to live in retirement and ease before his death, which took place November 12, 1895, at the age of seventy-five years, nearly, and in the faith of the holy Catholic church. His widow still resides in LaFayette, and of their eight children, Mary lives in Chicago; Kate is the wife of Charles McManus, of LaFayette; John is an employee of the American Express company, of Indianapolis; Thomas F. is the subject of this sketch; James died at the age of seven years; Anna resides with her mother; Lizzie is the wife of Frank Schilling, of LaFayette, and Agnes is at home, and all were educated in the parochial schools of this city.

Thomas F. Casey began his business life as a call-boy in the office of the C., L. & C. Railroad company, and was promoted, from time to time, until he reached the position of yard clerk, remaining with the company five years. The next four years, during the first administration of President Cleveland, he had charge of letter-carriers under Postmaster John B. Ruger, and next became a traveling salesman for the Falley Hardware company, of LaFayette, with which he remained two years, and then for two years was employed by Wells & Nellegar, of Chicago. In the fall of 1892 he established his present business, which he has prosperously conducted up to the present time.

Mr. Casey is a member of the Marquette club, and was one of the prime movers in effecting the organization of the C. B. L., of which he was the first secretary, and which now has four councils in LaFayette. He is a self-made man, from a business point of

view, is energetic in all things pertaining to his church and society connections, and is very liberal in his contributions to St. Ann's congregation, of which he is a faithful member.

**H**ON. TIMOTHY E. HOWARD, LL. D., chief justice of the supreme court of Indiana, was born on a farm near Ann Arbor, Mich., January 27, 1837, a son of Martin and Julia (Beahan) Howard, natives of Ireland.

Timothy E. Howard, in his seventeenth year, attended school at Ypsilanti for two terms. The following year he became a student in the university of Michigan, where he remained until he had attained to sophomore standing. Soon afterward, however, illness in the family rendered it necessary for him to return home and assume the management of the farm. Some months later he was offered the position of teacher in one of the local schools, accepted the offer, and officiated in that capacity for two years. On attaining his majority he was elected school inspector, but this office he resigned after having served a single term, mainly on account of his having perfected arrangements to enter the university of Notre Dame, to finish his collegiate studies. Two years after his matriculation at Notre Dame, the tocsin of Civil war was sounded, and nowhere was the call heeded more promptly and enthusiastically than at Notre Dame. Many of the students, professors and members of the Community responded and hastened to the front. Among these was Timothy E. Howard. He enlisted in the Twelfth Michigan infantry, and left at once with his regiment to join the army then forming in Kentucky and Tennessee. He was with the van of the army in the advance on Pittsburg Landing, or Shiloh. In camp at that place, and not apprehensive of immediate danger, the Union forces were taken at a disadvantage when suddenly attacked by the Confederates under Johnston and Beauregard on Sunday morning, April 6, 1862. In the contest that raged all day through the timber and underbrush and in the clearings, the Union troops were compelled to fall back slowly toward the river, and only the death of Johnston and the approach



Timothy E Howard





of night saved them from possible capture. During night reinforcements arrived, and Monday a decisive Union victory was won. In that battle the Twelfth Michigan took conspicuous part, and young Howard was severely wounded. He was discharged in consequence, and as soon as practicable returned to Notre Dame.

He received at the succeeding commencement the degree of bachelor of arts and was chosen professor of rhetoric. Moreover, the chair of English literature becoming vacant about that time, he was elected to fill it. In 1864 the degree of master of arts was conferred on him in course. The same year, also, was that in which the professor made his permanent home near the university, but within the corporate limits of South Bend. As professor he possessed remarkable versatility, and taught with exceptional facility whenever occasion required classes in history, mathematics and astronomy, as well as his own regular class in English literature. Moreover, he wrote and had published "A Grammar of the English Language" and two works of an educational character, entitled "Excelsior" and "Uncle Edward's Stories." He wrote likewise many poems of exceptional merit. It is safe to state that more exquisite lines have not been written in our day than "The Bells of Notre Dame."

In 1878 Professor Howard was elected a member of the common council of South Bend. Later he was elected clerk of the circuit court. In 1886 he was placed in nomination for state senator and led his ticket to victory at the election in November, and in 1890 was re-elected by an exceptionally large majority. In the senate his services were of exceptional importance. For example, he was the author of the Mومence bill, which provides for the drainage of the Kankakee valley; he was chairman of the committee in charge of the school text-book law; he drafted the revenue law; he introduced the bill for the establishment of the appellate court, and to his care was committed the Indianapolis charter and the suburban street railway bill.

For several years he served with his usual efficiency, fidelity and conscientiousness as attorney for Saint Joseph county and city attorney for South Bend.

In 1892 he was placed in nomination for judge of the supreme

court of Indiana and was triumphantly elected. His work on the bench has been careful and analytical, impartial and courageous, conscientious and creditable. He has been actuated throughout by his sense of right, and from that he has at no time nor in any instance departed or swerved, no matter what the pressure, whether of corporation or individual, friend or foe. He has achieved in this regard a distinction of which any jurist or public official may be justly proud. In fact, he is regarded throughout Indiana as one of the most impartial and incorruptible judges that have been elected to the supreme court since the political organization of the state. He is now serving his third term of chief justice.

In view of his honorable record for fidelity to religion, service to country, ripe scholarship, educational work, trustworthiness in official life, efficiency in legislative circles, and high standing as a jurist, the university of Notre Dame has appreciatively and cordially conferred on him the *lætare* medal for the year of our Lord, 1898.

The marriage of Judge Howard was solemnized at Detroit, Mich., July 14, 1894, to Miss Julia A. Redmond, of that city, and a daughter of William and Mary (Halford) Redmond, and this union is blessed with ten children, who have been named in order of birth as follows: Joseph C., Mary J., Edward A., Agnes I., John F., Genevieve M., William M., Eleanora M., George A., and Anna L., all living but William M. and Anna L. The family are members of St. Joseph church, and are free contributors of their means to its support, and, it is needless to add, are among the most respected of the Catholic residents of South Bend and the county of St. Joseph.

REV. JOSEPH CHARTRAND, assistant rector of Saints Peter and Paul's cathedral, Indianapolis, is a native of St. Louis, Mo., and was born on the eleventh day of May, 1870. After receiving his elementary education in the Jesuit schools of his native city, he entered upon his professional studies at St. Meinard's Benedictine abbey, where he remained five years, completing the prescribed courses of that institution. Finding himself too young for

ordination after completing the preparation, therefore, Father Chartrand spent two years teaching in his alma mater, and in 1890 went to Europe and reviewed his studies in the Jesuit university of Insbruck, Austria. Returning to the United States, he was ordained priest in 1892, at the age of twenty-two years, by special papal dispensation, the ceremony being performed by Bishop Chatard in Saints Peter and Paul's cathedral. Immediately following his induction into the priesthood, Father Chartrand entered upon his duties as assistant rector at the cathedral, a position he has since filled with credit to himself and satisfaction to his superior. Father Chartrand is a young man of fine natural ability, supplemented by thorough scholastic and professional training, and has already won an endearing place in the affections of the people for whom he exercises the functions of his holy office. Earnest, diligent and self-sacrificing, he subordinates everything to the one grand purpose of leading souls to the higher life.

MRS. ANNA CHESELDINE, whose home is at No. 522 Stevens street, Indianapolis, is a representative of a well-known Catholic family of the city, being a member of a family of nine children born to Lawrence and Elizabeth Keen, natives of the German empire.

Lawrence Keen was a lad of fifteen years when he came to America and landed in Baltimore, Md., where he attained his majority and where he was married. For some years he continued to reside in the Monumental city, and then removed to Zanesville, Ohio, and still later came to Indianapolis, Ind., where he and wife passed the remainder of their lives, and where eight of their nine children still make their homes—one child having been called away by death. Their daughter, Anna, was united in marriage, in November, 1889, to Andrew Cheseldine, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Father D. O'Donaghue, of St. Patrick's church, Indianapolis.

Andrew Cheseldine was converted to Catholicity, prior to his marriage, through the instrumentality of Father O'Donaghue, for

whom, personally, he felt great love and held in the highest respect. Mr. Cheseldine was reared in Washington, D. C., and is a mechanic by calling. He had resided in Indianapolis several years prior to his marriage, and had achieved an enviable reputation for industry and honesty. But four short years after his marriage he met with a serious accident, in November, 1893, from which he still suffers, his physical and mental condition being such that hospital treatment is continuously necessary. He clings tenaciously to the faith of the Catholic church, and finds in it his sole solace in his suffering. His worthy and faithful wife has the sympathy of many sincere friends, who share with her the hope that Mr. Cheseldine will speedily be restored permanently to health and strength.

REV. HENRY KOEHNE, pastor of St. Joseph's church, Logansport, one of the largest German Catholic societies in northern Indiana, is a native of Prussia, and was born in Westphalia on the 2d day of June, 1835. He attended the common schools of his native country until twelve years of age, at which time he entered upon a more advanced course of study, attending college nine years, with the object of the priesthood in view. He completed his education, both literary and theological, in Germany, and at the age of twenty-five came to the United States, and in 1863 was ordained priest at Chicago, Ill., his first charge being the church in Henry, Ill., over which he exercised pastoral control from 1863 to 1870. In the latter year he was transferred to Danville, Ill., and after remaining in charge of a congregation in that city two years, came to Logansport and accepted the pastorate of St. Joseph's church, with which he has since been identified.

This congregation, at the time of Father Koehne's arrival, numbered but few families, scattered throughout the city and country, but under his able administration and the power and force of his preaching, it has so largely increased that there are now 275 families belonging thereto. The large and imposing temple of worship, one of the finest church-edifices of northern Indiana, is a monument to the energy of Father Koehne, to whose efforts the





REV. H. KOEHNE.



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movement toward the erection of the building are almost wholly due. He has the unbounded confidence of the members of his congregation, and by his generous impulses and eminent social qualities has made friends with all classes, irrespective of church or order. "His life has been fraught with good works, and the future awaits him with bounteous and abundant rewards."

**W**ILLIAM CARSON, foreman at Indianapolis for the Terre Haute Brewing company, is a native of county Wicklow, Ireland, and was born in the town of Dunlavan, February 10, 1853, a son of Timothy and Ellen (Cassidy) Carson, also natives of Dunlavan. The father was a farmer by occupation and died in his native county in 1854, the subject of this memoir being then an infant.

The children born to Timothy and Ellen Carson were seven in number, and all came to America. John, the eldest, died in Indianapolis in 1873, leaving a wife and two children; Ellen, now the widow Fox, is a resident of this city; Jane, wife of William Murphy, a farmer, resides in Johnson county, Ind.; Patrick resides in Brightwood, a suburb of Indianapolis, and is engaged in stockraising; Peter, who was county recorder of Marion county, died while holding the office; Timothy died in Chillicothe, Ohio, when about thirty-five years of age, and William, our subject, is the youngest of the family. The family, however, did not all come to America at the same time, as Jane, now Mrs. Murphy, and William, our subject, came over in 1860, and the mother in 1863. Jane and William resided in Chillicothe, Ohio, until June, 1864, and then came to Indianapolis, where the mother died in 1878.

William Carson, whose name opens this biographical memoir, removed from Indianapolis to Kansas in 1878, where he was engaged in farming until 1884, when he returned to the Railroad city, and here he has since resided with the exception of two years, when he was employed on a farm in Johnson county. Until 1892 he was an empylovee of the Indianapolis City Electric Light & Power company, and then resigned his position to accept that

which he holds at present, which gives him the control of the yards of the Terre Haute Brewing company in Indianapolis.

Mr. Carson was united in marriage, in St. John's church, February 10, 1876, by Very Rev. Father Bessonies, to Miss Mary Gleason, a native of Michigan City, Ind., and a daughter of Thomas and Kate Gleason, both now deceased. To the happy union of Mr. and Mrs. Carson have been born six children, viz: Ellen, who died at the age of sixteen years; Thomas, now eighteen years old; William, aged fourteen; Edward, nine; John seven; Charles, four years, and Peter, five months. [As this memoir was approved in December, 1897, allowance for the ages of the children must be made accordingly.]

The family are members of St. John's church, and Mr. Carson is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and of the Celtic club. In politics he is a democrat, and takes an active part in forwarding the interests of his party, but has never sought office as a reward for his activity in its behalf.

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**T**HOMAS J. CAVANAUGH, a popular business man of Washington, Daviess county, Ind., is a native of this county, was born October 19, 1857, and is a son of Andrew and Rosanna (Welsh) Cavanaugh, natives of county Wexford, Ireland.

Andrew Cavanaugh was about twenty years of age when he landed in America in 1849, and Rosanna Welsh was not yet seventeen years old when she landed in New York, July 12, 1849, having been born October 19, 1832. They were married January 6, 1857, in Cincinnati, Ohio, in St. Patrick's church, by Rev. Father Wood, afterward archbishop, and soon after marriage came to Indiana and settled on their present home farm of 120 acres in Washington township, Daviess county, where they still reside, and where they have had born to them eight children, viz: Thomas James, whose name opens this paragraph; Mary Ann and Catherine, deceased; William, a member of the Washington, Ind., police force; James, a machinist of Cincinnati, Ohio; Michael, also a machinist; Andrew, a laborer, of St. Louis, Mo.; and Mary,

deceased. The parents belong to St. Simon's parish, and they and their children are devoted Catholics.

Thomas James Cavanaugh, our subject, attended the parochial school until eighteen years of age, then for two years attended the public school, after which he was employed in farm labor until 1884, and was then for two years clerk in the Meredith hotel, after which he was employed as delivery man for Cable & Kauffman for three years. In 1889 he engaged in the saloon business in partnership with Joseph Rummels, but two years later sold out his interest in this concern and opened a saloon, on his own account, at No. 322 Main street, Washington, which is now one of the most popular places of resort in the city, being finely furnished and kept within strict rules of respectability, and the proprietor being affable and genial in his treatment of patrons.

November 25, 1891, in Washington, Ind., Mr. Cavanaugh married Miss Mary Elizabeth Kretz, a native of Washington and a daughter of Joseph Kretz. Mr. Cavanaugh is a member of St. Simon's congregation and Mrs. Cavanaugh of St. Mary's, and both are dutiful Catholics. In his politics Mr. Cavanaugh is a democrat and is not a small factor in the councils of the party in local affairs, but has never sought personal preferment in the way of public office.

ALEXANDER CHOMEL, publisher and printer of Indianapolis, Ind., was born in department de l'Allier, France, June 26, 1826. He is a son of Dennis and Lucy (Collason) Chomel, both of whom were natives of the same department with himself. Dennis and Lucy Chomel were married in that department, there reared their children, and there died. The former was an officer in the gardes du corps of Louis XVIII and Charles X. After a service in the army of about fifty years he was retired, and died in 1842, his wife having died in 1828. They were the parents of six children, of whom the subject of this sketch is the only one surviving, and is the only one that ever came to the United States.

Alexander Chomel obtained his education in the Catholic schools of France, which he continued to attend until he was

twenty-one years of age. In 1848 he emigrated to the United States, landing at New Orleans, from which city he proceeded up the Mississippi and Ohio rivers to New Albany, Ind., where until 1860 he was engaged in merchandizing. In this year he removed to Martin county and there engaged in newspaper work and merchandizing until 1884, removing then to Washington, Ind., and there was connected with the Advertiser until 1888, when he came to Indianapolis and purchased the New Record, a Catholic publication, changed its name to the Catholic Record, and has since then conducted it, carrying on a job printing office in connection therewith.

Mr. Chomel was married in December, 1850, in New Albany, to Miss Sabina Carrico, who was born in Kentucky in 1832. To this marriage there have been born ten children, of whom seven survive, viz: Lucy, wife of Felix Cissel; Thomas, express agent at Connersville; Catherine, wife of Anthony McGryel of Washington, Ind.; Alexander, and William, both printers employed by their father; Mary C. and Anselm, both at home. Mr. Chomel and his family worship at St. John's church, and are all true and devoted Catholics. Mrs. Chomel belongs to the societies of Rosary and Altar.

CHARLES S. CLARK, M. D., was born in Madison county, Ohio, in the year 1861, and is a son of Daniel and Margaret (Driscall) Clark. His elementary education was received in the public schools of Van Wert county, Ohio, and later he attended the State Normal school at Ada three years, making substantial progress in the higher branches.

Having decided to make the healing art his profession, the doctor, after the usual preliminary reading, entered the Eclectic Medical institute, Cincinnati, from which he was graduated in the year 1891. Actuated by a laudable desire to increase his professional knowledge, he subsequently took two post-graduate courses at Chicago, completing the same in the years 1892 and 1897, respectively. The doctor began the practice at Decatur, Ind., where he has since remained, his success in the profession having

been most encouraging and fully meeting his expectations. He makes a specialty of diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, in the treatment of which his reputation is much more than local. He is a member of St. Mary's church, Decatur, and finds time to devote much attention to the claims of religion.

David D. Clark, M. D., brother of the above Charles S. and a leading member of the parish of St. Mary's, is also a native of Madison county, Ohio, where his birth occurred in the year 1864. He was reared and educated in his native state, and obtained his professional training under competent instructors and in medical colleges of well-known and acknowledged reputation. He has been engaged in the general practice at Decatur for some years, and stands high among his professional brethren of the city and county. He was married at Delphos, Ohio, December 16, 1887, to Miss Mary Rocky, the ceremony being solemnized by Rev. A. I. Hoeffel, pastor of St. John's Catholic church of that city. Dr. and Mrs. Clark have an interesting family of three children, Anna, Margaret and Vera.

**REV. MICHAEL J. CLARK** (deceased).—In 1843, the Rev. Michael J. Clark was assigned to LaFayette. The parish at that time consisted of eight counties—Tippecanoe, Fountain, Warren, Montgomery, Putnam, Benton, Carroll and White. Of these counties LaFayette was then, as it has always been since, the principal city, and the number of Catholic families was at least twenty-five. Father Clark rented a one-story brick building on the principal thoroughfare of the town, and there assembled, with such regularity as he could, his parishioners. His calls to other portions of his extended parish were, however, frequent; and at such times the congregation would assemble under the lead of some member, who would read prayers and give instruction in the catechism to the children. This little congregation was the beginning of the present St. Mary's congregation. In the next year, so prosperous and so generous were the leading members of the church, that a move was made for the purchase of ground and the building of a church-edifice. This resulted in the purchase of ground and the

speedy completion of a building, at that time the handsomest in the city, and regarded as superior to any in northern Indiana—the church of Sts. Mary and Martha—at a cost of about \$10,000.

Father Clark continued in the pastorate until 1857. During those fourteen years, we quote from one of his successors, “he saw the good seed which he had planted take root and grow, and churches arise and flourish in the counties which were under his pastoral charge, and county after county was detached, until LaFayette was found large enough to demand his entire time and attention. After working so long and successfully he went to Illinois and died, full of years and good works, in charge of the large and prosperous congregation at Bloomington in that state.”

ALVA CLARKE, one of the oldest pioneers of Daviess county, Ind., and also one of the oldest of the laity of the Mission of Ease, an appendix at Cannelburg of St. Peter's parish, Montgomery, was born in Ohio October 27, 1814, and is the sixth in the family of ten children born to Augustine and Phœbe (Nelson) Clarke, natives of Maryland. In 1819 the family moved to Vandalia, the then capital of the state of Illinois, but the father was dissatisfied with the country and returned to Ohio on a visit; he next located in Paoli, Ind., whence he moved to Mount Pleasant, Martin county, and finally settled in New Harmony, Posey county, where his wife died in 1865, and where his own death occurred in the year 1874.

Alva Clarke was educated in an old-fashioned log school-house of the most primitive description, and at the age of fourteen years began his business life as salesman in a general store at old Mount Pleasant, his salary, at the start, being \$5 per month. He remained with the firm seven years, but has been located in the vicinity of Cannelburg ever since the construction of the B. & O. S. W. railway was commenced, doing business on his own account, has furnished most of the ties west of Loogootee and has sold thousands of cords of wood.

June 20, 1836, Mr. Clarke was united in marriage, by Father

Lalumiere, to Miss Susannah Wedding, who was born in Kentucky about 1817. Of the seven children that have blessed this marriage four are still living, viz: Lloyd, a live stock dealer and farmer of Montgomery, Ind.; Louisa, wife of William Sharum, a railroad man of Paoli; Pebe, married to George Nolans of Cannelburg, and Mary, wife of Isaac Cassidy, an engineer in Montgomery. These children were all confirmed in the Catholic faith by Bishop de St. Palais.

In politics Mr. Clarke is a sound democrat and cast his first presidential vote for Martin Van Buren. He served as township trustee of Barr township ten years, and did his duty faithfully and honestly. He settled in Daviess county when it was almost entirely a wilderness, and when deer, wild turkeys and many other varieties of game abounded, and Mrs. Clarke, now about eighty-one years of age, has lived in Martin and Daviess counties since she was a child. She remembers the Catholic missionaries who traveled between Bardstown, Ky., and Vincennes, Ind., and made her grandfather's house their stopping place; she also recollects the Indians who had their camp near her father's home. In her younger womanhood she cooked and sewed for many of the men who worked on the B. & O. railroad, and still is strong and active, and milks her cows and makes her butter. Mr. and Mrs. Clarke are very devout, and are, of course, the most venerable of the members of the Mission of Ease, and their long residence in the county causes them to be honored by all who meet them.

**JAMES LILLY CLARK**, market gardener and dairyman of Washington, Daviess county, Ind., is a native of Kentucky and was born in Spencer county, that state, October 5, 1858, a son of James A. and Sarah F. (Lilly) Clark.

The grandfather of subject, James A. Clark, Sr., was born in county Tipperary, Ireland, June 18, 1797, and at the age of fifteen years came to America and found a home in Mount St. Mary, Md., where he was employed in a tannery, and where he early married Miss Sarah Head. In 1816, he removed to Spencer county,

Ky., where his wife died in August, 1857, and where his own death took place in 1865—both dying in the faith of the Catholic church. They were the parents of seven children, of whom four grew to maturity, viz: Hamilton A., now deceased; John A., of Bullitt county, Ky., died in 1898; James A., father of subject, and Thomas A., who died December 12, 1890.

James A. Clark was born in Spencer county, Ky., February 22, 1823, was reared a farmer, and was married in Bardstown, Nelson county, Ky., November 11, 1857, to Sarah F. Lilly, a native of Fairfield, Nelson county, and to this union were born ten children, of whom seven still survive, viz: James L., our subject; Elizabeth, wife of J. C. Bachelder, of Nelson county, Ky.; Sarah B., wife of N. Pitt, of the same county; Susan, wife of Jesse W. Crume, of Taylorsville, Spencer county, Ky.; Robert E., with his mother; Charles M., of Fairfield, Nelson county, Ky., and Joseph A., with his mother, who is now a widow, residing on the old homestead, known as Riverdale farm, on the banks of the historical Salt river, in Spencer county, her husband having died October 5, 1890, a true Catholic in religion and a democrat in politics.

James Lilly Clark was prepared for college in the common schools of Spencer county, Ky., which he attended until sixteen years of age, and later attended St. Mary's college, Marion county, Ky., and St. Ignatius college at Chicago, Ill. In 1884 he engaged in reportorial work on the Catholic Advocate, of Kentucky, was a teacher in the public schools awhile, studied law in Taylorsville under Senator G. G. Gilbert and was admitted to the bar in 1888. In 1890 he went to Louisville, Ky., where he was in the insurance business about a year, then went to Chattanooga, Tenn., in 1891, and was superintendent of the Sunlight Insurance company at that point until 1894, and then came to Washington, Ind., where he represented a dozen or more of the best fire, life and accident insurance companies in the Union until January, 1898. He had married, in Washington, October 11, 1886, Miss Bridget E. Egan, a native of this city, born March 13, 1863, a daughter of Jeremiah Egan, and to this union have been born six sons, viz: Joseph B., James J., Francis (deceased), John H., Hugh M., and Lewis Gerald.







Yours truly  
T. X. Girault



ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH,  
MORRIS, IND.



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In politics Mr. Clark is a republican. In religion he is a devout Catholic, he and family belonging to St. Simon's congregation. He is also an ardent and energetic member of the national Catholic fraternal order, known as the Young Men's institute, being the recording secretary of Marquette council, No. 195, at Washington, Ind., and at the grand council convention, May 18, 1896, was elected to the honorable and responsible position of grand president of the Indiana and Michigan jurisdiction of the Young Men's Institute of America.

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REV. F. X. GIROLT, rector of St. Anthony's church, at Morris, Ripley county, Ind., was born in Barr, Alsace (then a province of France), September 3, 1848, a son of Anthony and Helen (Faller) Girolt, the former of whom was chief forester by vocation and died in office October 20, 1881; the latter still survives.

Rev. F. X. Girolt passed the early years of his childhood on his father's forester's house, and in 1863 entered the Petit seminaire at Strasbourg, where he passed through a preparatory course of education until 1870, when he entered the Grand seminaire de Strasbourg, and continued his studies until 1872. He came to America June 21, 1872, finished his studies in theology at St. Meinrad's, Ind., and was ordained priest by Bishop Maurice de St. Palais, at Vincennes, March 29, 1874. He read his first mass at St. Mary's church, Evansville, Ind., April 12, 1874, and from May until October, 1874, acted as assistant to Father Viefhaus, of St. Mary's church at Evansville, Ind. He was next appointed pastor of St. Mary's of the Rock, in Franklin county, Ind., where he zealously labored from October 18, 1874, until June 21, 1888, and from the latter date until the present time has labored with equal zeal in his present charge—that at St. Anthony's, Morris, Ind., where his unassuming deportment and urbane disposition have won him the deep love of his congregation, as well as the warm friendship and respect of hundreds of persons outside the pale of the Catholic church. St. Anthony's church, at Morris, Ripley county, Ind., is one of the few in the diocese of Vincennes that is almost clear of

debt. The corner-stone of the present edifice, one of the finest in southern Indiana, was laid in 1884, and the structure, which cost nearly \$25,000, was dedicated in 1885. The school-building, of stone, was begun in 1861 and completed in 1865. Rev. F. X. Girolt, the present pastor, has expended over \$3,000 in beautifying and improving the church, and \$600 in the improvement of the parsonage, among the improvements being a magnificent altar which was consecrated June 18, 1895, by Bishop Chatard. The congregation of St. Anthony's numbers about 108 families, and the school, under the direction of three Sisters of St. Francis, is attended by ninety-two pupils. Father Girolt has done much of the labor that has resulted in the release of the congregation from debt, and his spiritual work has been commensurate with his temporal.

GEORGE EDMOND CLARKE, a prominent attorney of South Bend, St. Joseph county, Ind., was born in New Orleans, La., in 1860, a son of Matthew and Ellen Clarke, natives of Ireland, who died while George Edmond was still quite young, leaving him and three younger brothers to the care of an aunt. The early education of subject was received under the Sisters of Loretto, and while yet a mere lad was selected as altar boy for Rev. Louis Aloysius Lambert. At sixteen years of age he was graduated from the high school at Cairo, Ill., and the next two years were passed in St. Vincent's college. He then took a commercial course at Cape Girardeau, after which he became a steamboat clerk on the Mississippi river, and then a clerk in the office of the Illinois Central Railroad company at Cairo, Ill. At the age of twenty years he entered Notre Dame university, St. Joseph county, Ind., taking up the classical course of study, and won a well deserved reputation as an elocutionist. For several years he was also on the editorial staff of the Scholastic, the college newspaper, or journal, and was frequently called upon to make addresses in the neighboring towns. He was graduated from Notre Dame in 1883, with the degrees of A. B. and LL. B., having won medals in

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history and oratory. During the vacation preceding his senior year, Mr. Clarke, having become an expert stenographer, was appointed private secretary to William P. Halliday, president of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad company, and after graduation received an appointment from the Studebaker Brothers Manufacturing company, as auditor of its accounts and adjuster of its matters in litigation throughout the country—a position requiring a great deal of travel.

In May, 1887, Mr. Clarke was first united marriage with Miss Mamie Giddings, an accomplished vocal and instrumental musician, the result of the union being two children—Mary and Matthew. This marriage relation was but of short duration, being terminated, happy though it was, by the death of Mrs. Clarke in 1890. To relieve his despondency at this and event, Mr. Clarke sought solace in renewed study, and entered upon a special course in law at the university of Michigan, from which he received the degree of LL. M., and was admitted to the bar before the supreme court of Michigan two days later—in June, 1891. He then associated himself in practice in South Bend with Hon. Lucius Hubbard, recently elected judge of the Thirteenth judicial district of Indiana. Mr. Clarke is now attorney for the Wabash Railroad company and a member of the law faculty of Notre Dame university.

Mr. Clarke has always enjoyed a high reputation as an orator, and of the hundreds of public speeches he has made it will suffice to name only those at Evansville, Ind., in October, 1892, when he addressed 5,000 people in commemoration of the discovery of America, which address was highly commended by the press, and that at Indianapolis, March 17, 1896, his fellow-orators being Bishop Chatard, Henry Watterson, Hon. Frank Burke, Hon. T. E. Howard, and others, and here again won universal approbation. As a republican, Mr. Clarke is a factor with his party. On the great republican day in northern Indiana, during the McKinley campaign, he was the escort of Hon. Robert Lincoln, and, in a masterly speech, introduced to the assemblage the son of the martyred president.

The second marriage of Mr. Clarke was to Miss Mary Vanderhoof, a lady of many rare accomplishments, and her works of

artistic skill adorn the home of herself and husband in one of the most charming residence districts of South Bend, in which home hospitality knows no bounds.

**M**ICHAEL F. GILL, one of the trustees of Holy Cross parish, Indianapolis, and a well-known and highly-esteemed citizen, resides at No. 36 Temple avenue. He is a native of county Westmeath, Ireland, was born September 27, 1860, and is a son of William and Jane (Scott) Gill. In 1861 the family emigrated to the United States, locating at Rocky Hill, Conn., near Hartford. In December, 1866, they removed to Ohio, at the solicitation of an uncle of the subject, a brother of his mother, locating in Clarke county, and after a year's residence there removing to Plain City, Madison county, in the same state. There the heads of the family resided until 1893, when, at the solicitation of their sons, then residents of Indianapolis, they removed to the last-named city, where the death of the father occurred August 10, 1896. The funeral of William Gill was the first to take place within the parish of the Holy Cross after its organization, and it was conducted by the Rev. Father McCabe. Mr. Gill was a sincere and devout Catholic, and a man of sterling character, and it has been said of him that he never omitted daily prayers in his family. His wife and mother of his children was a most devoted consort of her husband, and is now a lady highly esteemed by all that know her. She and her husband had a family of ten children, eight of whom still survive, six sons and two daughters. The daughters, Mrs. Delia Boyhan and Mrs. Mary E. Burk, reside in New Jersey. The sons, in the order of their birth, are Michael F., Joseph P., William H., John L., Thomas A. and Edward E., all living in Indianapolis.

Michael F. Gill, the subject of this sketch, was six years old when the family settled in Plain City, Ohio. There he lived until he was nineteen years of age, attending the public schools until thirteen. Being the eldest of the family, the duty of aiding in its support largely devolved upon him for some years. In 1880 he went to Chicago, remaining there a year, removing then to Colum-





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bus, Ohio, and thence to Indianapolis. Mr. Gill has been in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railway company since 1880, and now occupies the responsible position of foreman of the fuel department of that road.

He was married in Plain City, Ohio, by the Rev. Father B. F. Mueller, of St. Joseph's church, to Miss Mary Kennedy, who was born in Columbus, Ohio. The two children born to this marriage died in infancy. Mr. Gill is a man who is held in high esteem by the community at large, and is implicitly trusted by the railway company for which he works. He takes great pride in promoting the best interests of the young parish of the Holy Cross, and is a charter member of council No. 272, Young Men's institute.

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**T**IMOTHY CRANNAN, a member of the police force of Indianapolis, who lives with his mother, Mrs. Mary Ann Thornton, at No. 647 South Delaware street, has been one of the guardians of the peace for a number of years. He was born in Jennings county, Ind., and is a son of Patrick and Mary Ann Crannan, the former of whom was born in county Kilkenny, Ireland, and came to the United States when yet a mere child.

Patrick Crannan was married in Gleason, Ky., and soon afterward removed to Jennings county, Ind., where he settled down for life. There he lived until he was killed accidentally by the cars in 1867. Mrs. Crannan, who was a daughter of Jeremiah and Mary Ann Featherstone, subsequently married Mr. Thornton, but by her second marriage she has no children. She is the mother of three children by her first marriage, viz: William, of Allegheny City, Pa., a bridgebuilder by trade and occupation; Timothy, the subject of this sketch; and Mary Ann, now Mrs. William Kyle, of Globe, Ariz.

Timothy Crannan is a representative of an early Indiana family, his maternal grandparents having been Jeremiah and Anna Featherstone, the latter of whom died March 15, 1897, at the great age of one hundred years, four months and three days. For a brief biographical sketch of Daniel Featherstone the reader is referred

to another page in this work. Timothy Crannan, the subject of this sketch, is a man of intelligence, force and honesty of character, and as a man and citizen is highly esteemed.

**M**AURICE D. CLEARY, president of the White River Sand company, with offices at No. 926 West Washington street, was born in Butler county, Ohio, February 19, 1858, a son of Thomas and Mary (Raftry) Cleary, natives of Ireland—the father of county Waterford and the mother of county Galway. These parents were single when they respectively came to America, and were married in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1855, by Bishop Purcell, now deceased.

Thomas Cleary is a well-to-do farmer, in Butler county, Ohio, where he and his family have resided since 1856. To him and wife have been born eleven children, of whom eight are still living, viz: Lizzie, the eldest, who is the wife of James F. Gilbert, a farmer of Butler county; Maurice D., the subject of this sketch, is the second in order of birth; Hannah is the wife of Charles Schwerigan, an employee of a street railway company in St. Louis, Mo.; Daniel, who is superintendent of cars for the Electric Street Railway company, of St. Louis; Thomas is a merchant of Butler county, Ohio; Mary is married to Elmer Selby, who is employed in St. Louis, Mo., by a street railway company; Katie is a teacher in the Butler county, Ohio, public schools; and Emma is at home with her parents. The deceased children were named Edward, who died at the age of six years; Annie, who died at four years, and Martha, who died in infancy. All of the surviving children are married, with the exception of Katie and Emma.

Maurice D. Cleary is a man of wide business experience, his first effort toward earning his livelihood having been made as a contractor for pile-driving and bridge-building, in which, indeed, he is still interested, in connection with his present business. At pile-driving he passed two years in New Orleans, and, in fact, worked in most of the southern states in the same line, and for twenty years had his headquarters at Cincinnati, Ohio. While residing in

that city he served as a democratic member of the city council for six years and filled several other offices of importance and trust.

Having contracted to execute a piece of work in his peculiar line in Indianapolis, Mr. Cleary came here to superintend it, and on its completion, having formed an attachment for the place, brought his family hither in the fall of 1895. Here he founded the White River Sand company, one of the most extensive enterprises of its character in the state, with a capital stock of \$12,000 and giving employment to fifty teams and 100 men. The company is incorporated under the state statute for the purpose of pumping sand and gravel from the river bed and grading it for different purposes, such as building, street-making, etc., its officers being Maurice D. Cleary, president, and Joseph R. Carlon, secretary and treasurer, and it is the intention of the company to double its working capacity and capital.

The marriage of Maurice D. Cleary took place at Glendale, Ohio, December 31, 1879, to Miss Mary A. Landrigan, a native of Butler county and a daughter of Paul Landrigan, a wealthy farmer, the ceremony being solemnized by Rev. Father O'Donnell. Four children have blessed this union, in the following order: Rolla E., November 27, 1880; Bertha A., April 27, 1882; Mary Estella, December 26, 1884; and Thomas, February 19, 1887. The eldest of these children was born on the anniversary of his mother's birth, and, as will be seen, the youngest was born on the twenty-ninth anniversary of his father's birth—an unusual coincidence.

The history of the Cleary family is one of interest, inasmuch as the mother of subject's father was a Hickey and traced her descent to one of three sons who were of prominence in the fourteenth century. From that time onward until the birth of Mr. Cleary at least one member of the family, in each generation, became a priest, and one a bishop (Hickey), who died toward the close of the last century. The father of subject, an only son, also began studying for the priesthood, but the death of his father (grandfather of subject) changed his destiny before he had completed his studies.

Maurice D. Cleary, while a resident of Cincinnati, was a member of the Parnell club, and for four years was its president. He

is now prominently associated with the Ancient Order of Hibernians at Indianapolis, and is also a member of the Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks. The family are members of St. Bridget's church, under the pastorate of Rev. Father Curran, and Mrs. Cleary, in Cincinnati, was a member of the Ladies' sodality. The family are devout Catholics and liberal in their contributions to the church and have attained a high position in the social circles of Indianapolis since their brief residence in this city.

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JOHN B. GARNIER, a deceased business man of great prominence at Lawrenceburg, Dearborn county, Ind., was born in France August 15, 1820, and came to the United States in 1845, locating in Lawrenceburg. June 17, 1847, Mr. Garnier was united in marriage with Miss Mary E. Dafner, daughter of George A. and Marguerite (Hick) Dafner, and born November 9, 1824. To this happy union were born three children, of whom one only now survives—Anna M., the wife of Victor Oberling, both of whom are devout Catholics.

The late Mr. Garnier, immediately after his arrival in Lawrenceburg, started a malt house, which he conducted with admirable success until the 'fifties, when he erected a brewery, the product of which found an extensive sale in Lawrenceburg, as well as in the villages near at hand and towns more remote. His previous handling of malt had well qualified him for the selection of material used in brewing, and from the start his product was recognized as being far superior to the ordinary beverage turned out by breweries of greater pretensions, and even of metropolitan celebrity. In this business he acquired a competency, although he continued to actively superintend the details of his brewing process until his lamented decease, which occurred at Lawrenceburg March 7, 1897. Mr. Garnier was a man of wonderful business energy, and his death was a matter of great regret to the citizens of Lawrenceburg, while St. Lawrence's church lost, in him, a faithful and generous member and supporter.

Mrs. Garnier still resides in the old homestead, and is one of



J. B. GARNIER.  
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the most respected ladies in the city. A sincere Catholic, she has shown her devotion to the faith by recently presenting to St. Lawrence's church a new altar, at a cost of \$1,200.

**THE COLERICK FAMILY.**—Among the early pioneers of the Catholic church at Fort Wayne was the Hon. D. H. Colerick, who located here in the early 'thirties; he came from Lancaster, Ohio, and was a rising young lawyer, second to none in the state. He was soon followed by his brother, Henry Price Colerick, who became a partner in the trading and mercantile firm of Compagnet & Colerick. The Messrs. Colerick were gentlemen of education, intelligence and extended influence, and at all times pronounced in their views and ever ready to raise their voices in the defense of the "faith of their fathers."

They came of a good old Irish stock, "the Berminghams" of Dundalk. As the years went by the grandfather of these gentlemen, finding no liberty in Ireland, removed to London, where, for many years, he served in the exchequer office, which he left to come to this country with his son, John Colerick, who had a large publishing house and newspaper office in London. Jacobinism still lingered about the family; from time to time he published articles in his paper that drew upon him the eye of the government. One article in particular attainted him with treason; it was entitled, "The Soldiers' Pay." The soldiers received but sixpence per day for their services, and many of them had families depending upon them. There was a general feeling throughout the land that great injustice was done them. The knowledge came to him none too soon that he had imperiled himself by the bold stand he had taken in this matter, as also in other matters pertaining to the welfare of the oppressed people, to such an extent that a hasty escape, by a clandestine withdrawal from the country, was his only alternative. He had, a short time before, put his publishing house in the hands of one of his friends, the rest of his property was all confiscated by the government. He sought an American vessel and luckily found one just ready to sail,

and landed in Philadelphia, where he was received with open arms by Mathew Cary. They were friends through correspondence. He remained here until he was joined by his family and his father soon thereafter. They removed to the town of Washington, in Washington county, Pa. This place had just passed through the throes of the "whisky insurrection." It was considered a good point at which to establish a publishing house, with a newspaper attached. The town and county was settled by an intelligent and prosperous population. There was a college at Washington, and another, "Jefferson college," at Canonsburg. These things proved that he had chosen well, and he prospered. He lived but a few years to enjoy his well-deserved prosperity. After his death the family removed west. The two Mr. Colericks that came to Fort Wayne were born in Washington, Pa. Henry R. Colerick brought with him his mother and sister; they were ladies fit to grace any society and were conscientious and devout members of the church. The church in Fort Wayne by this time was on a firm footing. The Rev. Father Baden had done missionary work here for many years, both among the whites and the Indians, resulting in much good. He was followed by several other priests. Then came the Very Rev. Father Benoit; the greatest amount of friendship and intimacy existed between him and the family (Colerick), that was only severed by death.

It is a great pity that the Catholic history of the state was not looked after years ago, while the pioneers of the church were yet living.

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**DENNIS CHARLES COLL**, a member of the Indianapolis fire department, was born in this city May 25, 1874. He is a son of Dominick and Mary Ann (McQuaid) Coll, the former a native of county Donegal, Ireland, and the latter a native of Massachusetts, who came to Indiana in infancy.

Dominick Coll was a business man of Indianapolis in the early history of the city, and died June 19, 1876. His widow still lives at No. 826 South Illinois street, with her unmarried children. Dominick Coll and his wife were the parents of four children, of

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whom only two are living, viz: Bertha, born September 29, 1872, and the subject of this sketch. Those that have died were John and Mary, who both died in infancy. The mother of these four children, though of American birth, is of Irish parentage, and both families were Catholics.

Mr. Coll was educated at St. John's parochial schools, obtaining there a good English education. When thirteen years of age he was confirmed in the Catholic church. From the age of ten years he has been self-supporting, and his early youth was spent in various occupations. At first he was engaged in selling papers, in driving grocery wagon, and at other kind of work that offered itself to his youthful hands. He then learned horseshoeing, and at this trade he worked, in all, about six years, during two of which he was horseshoer of the street railway company. February 8, 1897, he was appointed to a position in the Indianapolis fire department, being assigned to Engine company, No. 1.

Mr. Coll is interested in political affairs, is a great reader of the news of the day, and thus keeps himself informed upon current history. He is a young man of intelligence, affiliates with the democratic party, and sustains the doctrines of the Chicago platform of 1896. His family are members of St. John's Catholic church, of which Rev. Father Gavisk is pastor. He is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and of the Y. M. I. His mother is a member of the various societies of her church.

The father for some four years before his death suffered from paralysis, and thinking a visit to his native country would be beneficial to his failing health, his faithful wife accompanied him to Ireland, where he remained ten months, the subject of this sketch then being a babe four months old. Returning to Indianapolis Mr. Coll died about six months afterward, a much respected and highly esteemed citizen.

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**M**ISS ELIZABETH A. COLLINS, who for many years has been a successful teacher in the public schools of Indianapolis, is a representative of one of the prominent Catholic families of Indiana, which was for a long time located principally at Hunting-

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ton, Ind. Her parents, John Collins and his wife, were natives of Charleville, county Cork, Ireland: At that place they were reared, educated and married, and there their fourteen children were born, two of whom died in Ireland, the other twelve, with their parents, coming to the United States in 1853. After a few months' residence in New York city they removed to Huntington, Ind., where Mr. Collins died in 1865—Mrs. Collins surviving her husband for many years, and dying in 1885. The surviving children are five in number, as follows: Timothy and Ellen, both still residents of Huntington; Mary, living at Colorado Springs, Colo.; Catherine, wife of Michael Broden, of Indianapolis, and Elizabeth A., the subject of this sketch.

Miss Elizabeth A. Collins is a most worthy Catholic lady, a highly successful teacher, respected by all, and lives at No. 614 North New Jersey street.

**M**ICHAEL CONDRON, grocery merchant, of No. 124 Belmont avenue, Indianapolis, is a pioneer of St. Anthony's parish and one of its earnest workers. He was born in county Kildare, Ireland, in 1837, and about 1860 went to England, where he resided nine years, and in 1869 came to the United States and for some years lived in Illinois, later moved to the east, but again came west, and since May, 1882, has been a resident of his present parish, which was then in Haughville, but is now within the corporate limits of Indianapolis. There were but few buildings in Haughville at that time, and a Catholic church there was a matter for future consideration. Mr. Condron and his family, however, united with St. John's congregation in the city, and many a cold morning they walked the long distance to attend early mass.

Father Collier was the first priest to agitate the project of erecting a church in the suburb named, and in this task was actively assisted by Mr. Condron. They raised money by subscription for the purchase of a lot, and this was the incipient step toward establishing St. Anthony's parish and church. But Father Collier did not live to see the fruition of his labors.

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The marriage of Mr. Condron took place in England, in 1863, to Miss Margaret Dalton, and to this marriage were born ten children, of whom three only now survive, viz: John, Elizabeth and Mary. The family are numbered among the most earnest Catholics of their part of the city and are always liberal in their contributions to the support of the church.

**W**ILLIAM A. CONNOLLY, M. D., a physician of prominence at Monroeville, Allen county, Ind., was born in Newark, N. J., November 25, 1847, a son of William and Margaret (McGuire) Connolly, natives, respectively, of counties Leitrim and Meath, Ireland, but who came to the United States in early life and were married in Newark, N. J., December 15, 1833, by Rev. Father Moran, of St. John's church. The paternal grandparents of the doctor were John and Ellen (O'Connor) Connolly, and the maternal grandparents were James and Julia (Nulty) McGuire.

In 1847 the Connolly family came west and settled in Chester-ville, Morrow county, Ohio, where the father followed his trade of tanner, and, though poor, comparatively, gave his children the advantage of attending the public schools, and of his nine children, six became teachers in early life. James A. Connolly, the eldest of the nine, is now a prominent lawyer and public man of Springfield, Ill.; John A. is also distinguished as a lawyer at Mansfield, Ohio; Frank, also a shining light in the legal profession at San Diego, Cal., was there taken sick, was brought to Monroeville, Ind., and here expired January 12, 1897, and his remains lie interred at Mansfield, Ohio; William A. will be more fully spoken of below; Ella was married to John O'Rourke, and died in Johnsville, Ohio, May 19, 1869; Maggie, a literary graduate of St. Mary's Benedictine academy of Pennsylvania, has her home with the doctor; Charles was first sergeant of company A, First regiment, O. V. I., was wounded in a skirmish at Morton's Ferry, died in Emory hospital, Washington, D. C., October 11, 1863, and his remains now rest in the National cemetery of that city; Mary died at the age of seventeen years in Mansfield, Ohio, and

one child died in infancy. The father of this family died while on a visit to his son, the doctor, at Monroeville, in April, 1881, and his remains were interred at Mansfield, Ohio; his widow then made her home with the doctor until her decease, in 1891, and her remains now repose beside those of her husband.

Dr. William A. Connolly was but a child at the outbreak of the Civil war, but in 1863 he enlisted in company F, Twenty-fifth Ohio volunteer infantry, and served until he was discharged in November, 1865, by reason of the close of war. He returned to his parental home in Ohio, and subsequently began the study of medicine. In the fall of 1867 he entered the medical department of Michigan university, remained one year, then located at Denmark, Ohio, and began practice. November 19, 1868, he located at Monroeville, where he has since established a large and lucrative practice. After locating in Monroeville, however, he took a post-graduate course at the Medical college, in Columbus, Ohio, from which he graduated in the spring of 1876. On coming here he formed a partnership with Dr. D. W. Champer, but for several years he has been alone in the practice.

In 1876 the doctor wedded Miss Nancy Graham, who died in the following year, the mother of one child, who died in infancy. The doctor is recognized as able and skillful in his profession, and stands at the head of his profession in Monroeville. He is a member of the Roman Catholic church, as is also his amiable sister, and no two persons are more highly esteemed in the community in which they live.

FRANK CONRAD, foreman of the railroad shops, Madison, Ind., and trustee of St. Michael's church, was born in Louisville, Ky., May 27, 1857, son of Bernhard and Scholastic (Keller) Conrad. He passed his youthful years under the parental roof on a farm, and was but a small boy when the family moved to North Madison, Ind.

From early boyhood Mr. Conrad manifested decided tendencies toward mechanical pursuits, and in due time he entered the

railroad shops at North Madison, where he soon made rapid and efficient progress as a workman. From one position to another of greater responsibility he passed successfully until in time he was promoted foreman of the shops, which position he now fills with credit to himself and satisfaction of the corporation by which he has been for so many years employed.

In early life Mr. Conrad attended the parochial schools of Madison, and his whole life has been spent within the pale of the Holy Mother church, of which he is still a most faithful and consistent member. He is a trustee of St. Michael's parish, Madison, and spends much of his time promoting the interests of the congregation. He was married, in the fall of 1893, to Barbara Hoffman, daughter of John and Matilda Hoffman, and has one child—Joseph C. Conrad, whose birth occurred in the year 1896.

**W**ILLIAM COONEY, a highly respected farmer of Van Buren township, Daviess county, Ind., was born in Baltimore county, Md., November 3, 1839, the eldest of the family of four sons and two daughters that crowned the marriage of Christopher and Mary Ann (Welsh) Cooney.

Christopher Cooney, the father, was a native of county Westmeath, Ireland, was born in 1810, and was but a boy when he landed in Baltimore. He became a machinist, and about 1837 married Miss Welsh, who was born in 1816. In 1857 the family came to Daviess county, Ind., and here the father purchased the farm of 140 acres now occupied by his descendants. Here the father died in 1886, and the mother on February 26, 1888. They were sincere Catholics and did their full share toward relieving St. Mary's parish of its indebtedness, and in assisting in the erection of the new church and parsonage. In politics Mr. Cooney was a democrat and was one of the most highly respected farmers of Van Buren township.

William Cooney was educated in the common schools of Baltimore, and at the academy of the Christian Brothers. With two of his brothers, John and Christopher, he was confirmed by Bishop

Timon, of Buffalo, the bishop of Baltimore having died, and that diocese at the time being without a head. These three brothers and their two sisters, Elizabeth and Mary, now occupy the farm in Daviess county, and the sisters were confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais.

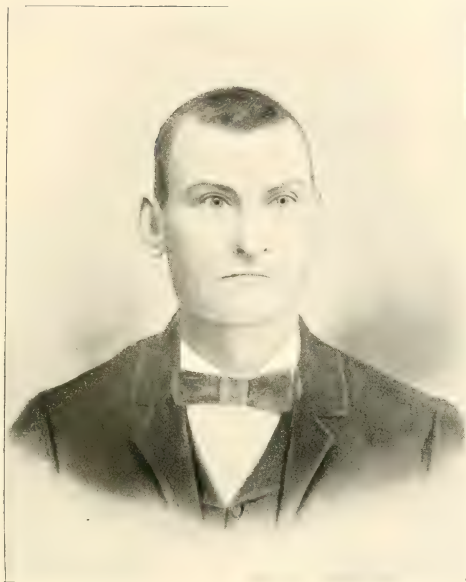
The Cooney brothers are important factors in the affairs of St. Mary's parish and are among the most respected farmers of Van Buren township. They are stanch democrats and cast their first presidential votes as follows: William, for Stephen A. Douglas; John, for George B. McClellan, and Christopher, for Samuel J. Tilden. The family now own about 300 acres in Van Buren township, are faithful in their religious duties and contribute most liberally to the support of the church and all meritorious public enterprises, and no family in the county is held in higher esteem by its citizens.

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**G**EORGE HASENOUR, a gallant ex-soldier and one of the best-known business men of Celestine, Dubois county, Ind., was born in Louisville, Ky., August 15, 1841, the eldest of the seven children of Martin and Tharsila Hasenour, natives of Germany.

Martin Hasenour and wife, soon after marriage, sailed from Bremer Haven for New York, and from the latter city came direct to Madison, Ind., where for a short time Mr. Hasenour worked as a laborer on the railroad. In 1840, he went to Louisville, Ky., where he worked three years as a gardener, and then came to Dubois county, Ind., and purchased forty acres of land in the wilderness. He proceeded to clear up his tract and built a primitive log house, but a short time after, while Mr. Hasenour and family were at church, this cabin was destroyed by fire, together with all its contents; but this disaster did not discourage him, and he soon built for himself another home. He lived, at that time, in Jasper parish, but when that was divided he was among the leaders in establishing Celestine parish. He was energetic and frugal and temperate, and at the time of his death, in 1861, was the owner of 200 acres of well-cultivated land. His widow survived until about 1887, and both died sincere Catholics.





*George Hasenour*



George Hasenour was well educated in the parochial schools and then aided his parents on the home farm until the call to arms aroused his patriotism. November 7, 1861, he enlisted in company I, Forty-ninth Indiana infantry, for three years, and was assigned to the trans-Mississippi army. He was in several severe battles, but at Champion Hills, near Vicksburg, Miss., was wounded twice within five minutes—in the hip and in the ankle—the latter wound being so serious as to necessitate the amputation of his leg on the field May 16, 1863; he was then sent to the Marine hospital at Evansville, Ind., and after recovery was honorably discharged. On his return to Indiana, Mr. Hasenour, being unable to perform manual labor, attended St. Meinrad's college for some time, and then taught in the public schools in Celestine until he engaged in business, as will be mentioned below. November 18, 1867, Mr. Hasenour was joined in matrimony, by Rev. B. Bruning, with Miss Rofina Sehnaus, who, like himself, had been confirmed in the Catholic faith by Bishop de St. Palais. This marriage has been blessed with eight children, of whom seven are still living, and all, save one, confirmed by Bishop Chatard, viz: John C., Koletta (wife of George Cress), George J., Joseph M., Gertrude M., Theresa M. and Ezidius H. The deceased child, Caroline, entered the convent at Ferdinand, December 1, 1886, was known thereafter as Sister M. Eusebia, and was called from earth July 7, 1894.

In 1867, Mr. Hasenour embarked in business as a general merchant, in Celestine, and this has since been his constant vocation. He carried a well-assorted stock of staple goods suited for the general country trade, and, by his courtesy and honorable dealing, has secured a permanent and lucrative patronage. Although he began with a small capital, his strict attention to business has made him one of the wealthiest men in Celestine or in the township. Beside his large business block and handsome brick residence, he owns 500 acres of land in Dubois county, and he and family hold the highest position possible in the social circles of Celestine, and enjoy, beside, the sincere respect of all. In politics, Mr. Hasenour is a democrat and cast his first presidential vote for Horatio Seymour, but notwithstanding this fact, such was his popularity and high standing in the community, that he was ap-

pointed postmaster of Celestine under the administration of President Grant, and filled the office from 1867 to 1877. Mr. and Mrs. Hasenour are devoted to their faith and contribute most liberally to the support of St. Celestine and its sodalities, as well as to all undertakings that promise results for the good of the public.

**C**HRISTOPHER CONNOR, an ex-Union soldier and now a resident of Richmond, Wayne county, Ind., was born in county Meath, Ireland, in 1845, and is a son of John and Margaret (Malloy) Connor, of the parish of Dunderry.

John Connor was born in 1815, was a general laborer, and died in county Meath in 1850; Margaret Malloy, his wife, was born in Queens county, Ireland, in 1815. To their marriage were born three children—Patrick, Mary and Christopher—who all came to America in 1860 and located in Richmond, Ind., where the mother had preceded them in 1858, but is now residing in Indianapolis. One of the sons, Patrick, removed to Elkhorn, Ind., where he died in 1880, and was buried in St. Mary's cemetery; Mary, the daughter, died in Richmond, Ind., in 1863.

Christopher Connor, the subject of this memoir, who was fifteen years of age when he arrived in Richmond, in August, 1860, attended St. Andrew's school one week, and was then apprenticed to S. R. Lippincott to learn carriage-painting, and served until July 6, 1863, when he enlisted in the Sixth Indiana cavalry at Richmond, and was mustered in at Indianapolis, whence he went to Kentucky and Knoxville, Tenn., fought at Cumberland Gap and various other points, including Tazewell and Sneedsville, and on the 31st of December, 1863, while on a retreat from Sneed Mountain, had his knee dislocated by his horse slipping down an embankment. He was confined, through this wound, in hospital at Cumberland Gap until March 9, 1864, when he rejoined his command at Mount Sterling, Ky.; he fought at Atlanta, and after the capture of that city returned to Nashville, Tenn. September 27, 1864, he took part in the engagement at Pulaski, Tenn., with the Confederate cavalry under Gens. Wheeler and Forrest, and here caught

cold in his wounded knee, and was laid up at the post hospital at Nashville from October 21, 1864, until July 12, 1865, acting part of the time as nurse, and on the date last named was honorably discharged from the service.

Returning to Richmond, Ind., after the war, Mr. Connor worked a year as house-painter for Daniel McCarthy and then as carriage-painter for S. R. Lippincott until 1870; he was next with J. M. Hutton & Co., as varnish rubber for three years, and then engaged with the Ezra Smith & Co. Casket Manufacturing company (now the Richmond Casket company), and still holds his position.

October 1, 1867, Mr. Connor was married, by Father Villars, in St. Mary's church, Richmond, to Miss Josephine Hermesch, and to this marriage have been born seven children, viz: Margaret, deceased; Mary, living in Cincinnati, Ohio; John, in Ludlow, Ky.; Joseph, deceased; Clara, Daniel and Martha, at home. Mr. Connor has been a trustee of St. Mary's Catholic church, and all the family are members of this parish.

**M**ICHAEL COONEY, section foreman for the Big Four Railroad company at Shelbyville, was born in county Clare, Ireland, December 26, 1837, a son of Patrick and Bridget (Cory) Cooney, who were married in the parish of Ennis, county Clare, and were the parents of six children, viz: John, now of Rochester, N. Y.; Thomas, deceased; Michael, the subject of this sketch; Ellen, Mary and Anthony, all three deceased; all were born in Ennis parish—John and Michael being the only members of the family to come to America. The mother of these children passed from earth in 1843, and the father, who was a farmer, died October 26, 1852—both devout Catholics.

Michael Cooney attended the parochial school of Ennis parish until eleven years of age and then worked on the farm until June 28, 1864, when he came to America, landing in New York city, whence he went directly to Cincinnati, Ohio, and at once went to work as a section hand on the Big Four road, and steadily labored

as such fourteen years, when he was promoted to the position of section foreman, which he still holds. In the meanwhile he had removed to Waldron, Ind., in 1868, and in 1876 settled in Shelbyville, where he now owns a handsome residence at No. 172 East Washington street.

Mr. Cooney was united in matrimony, in his native county, March 8, 1858, with Catherine Hines, who was born in county Clare in 1837, a daughter of Thomas and Ann (Carmody) Hines, and this union has been blessed with six children, viz: Martin, deceased; Patrick, yardmaster for the Panhandle Railroad company, at Indianapolis; John, conductor on the Belt railroad, in the same city; Mary and Annie, still at home, and Bridget, deceased.

Mr. Cooney and family are members of St. Joseph's church, to which they extend liberal aid financially and otherwise, Mr. Cooney having aided to make the excavations for the foundation, and also assisted in erecting the church-edifice. He attended the first services held in the new building; he was also a trustee for one year, and was president of the church building society two years. Mrs. Cooney is a member of St. Ann's sodality, and Misses Cooney belong to the league of the Sacred Heart. In politics Mr. Cooney is a republican, and has served as city councilman four years. He has always been frugal, temperate and industrious, and, beside his own dwelling, owns residence property at No. 192 East Jackson street, and is one of the most respected residents of the city.

VERY REV. WILLIAM CORBY, C. S. C., was born in Detroit, Mich., in 1833. His father, Daniel Corby, was born in Kings county, Ireland, in 1798, and came to the new world a young, unmarried man. In Montreal, Canada, he wedded Miss Stapleton, a lady of rare beauty and numerous Christian virtues, and noted, in a special manner, for her charity to the poor and infirm.

Father William Corby was the fifth child of a large family. In early life he attended the public or district schools, open a few months each year, and when these schools were not in session, the father secured for his children the services of a private tutor.

When not occupied with his studies, William attended to various humble occupations under the direction of his good father, who was a man of iron will, frugal in habits, a total abstinence man for more than forty years, thrifty, and possessed of a liberal store of this world's goods. Mr. Corby determined to give his sons the best facilities for acquiring an education, and with that object in view he sent William to the college of Notre Dame, Ind., where he arrived during the scholastic year, 1852-53.

When he arrived at Notre Dame, William Corby had no intention of joining the order of the Holy Cross, but, captivated by the place, the people, and the good work being done, he determined, with God's help, to devote his life and energy to advancing the cause of christian education, and joined the small band, directed by the venerable Father Sorin, then laying the foundations for a great university in the forests of Indiana. Father Corby devoted every hour, even his vacations, to study, and never returned home to his father's house until he went as a newly-ordained priest to celebrate his first mass in his old parish church, surrounded by relatives and friends of his boyhood.

Philosophy was Father Corby's favorite study, and this science he taught with success in his alma mater several years. At various terms he was prefect of the students, prefect of the study room, prefect of discipline and director of the manual labor school. While holding the latter position he attended, Sundays, St. Patrick's church, South Bend. At the breaking out of the war he volunteered his services to the famous Irish brigade of New York. He was appointed their chaplain in 1862, and for three years was with them in all the principal battles fought by the army of the Potomac, under McClellan, Burnside, Hooker, Meade and Grant. After his return from the war, in 1865, he was for a few months in charge of St. Patrick's congregation, South Bend. He paid the debt on the church, finished and furnished a parochial residence, and was the first Catholic pastor that ever resided in that city.

Father Sorin, and the chapter of the order of the Holy Cross, determined to utilize Father Corby's rare executive ability by electing him, in 1865, vice-president of the University of Notre Dame, with Rev. P. Dillon as president. The following year

Father Corby was elected president, with Father Augustus Lemonnier as vice-president. There was a debt on the institution of \$97,000, and an unfinished building to be completed. In less than five years this debt was paid, and \$80,000 beside expended on improvements. One of the first acts of Father Corby's administration was to remove the old exhibition hall to a more suitable site and enlarge the play-ground from two acres to twenty-five acres, as they are at present. He engaged several persons to draw up a general plan for all the college grounds, according to which future buildings should be erected. Two plans, particularly good, one by the Rev. James Dillon, C. S. C., and the other, by the Rev. J. C. Carrier, C. S. C., were submitted to the council. After discussing the merits of each, Father Dillon's plan, modified by Father Carrier's idea, was adopted. During Father Corby's administration the law department was established, and the scientific department commenced under the direction of the Rev. J. C. Carrier, one of the ablest scientists of our day. Steps were also taken to found a medical department, with Rev. Louis Neron as dean.

In 1868 a general chapter of the order of the Holy Cross, held in Rome, elected Father Corby provincial of the United States in place of Very Rev. Father Sorin, elected superior general of the whole order throughout the world. This office Father Corby held, with that of president of Notre Dame, until 1872, when another general chapter elected him to establish a branch institution at Watertown, Wis. After founding the college of the Sacred Heart, now in a flourishing condition under the presidency of Father O'Keeffe, C. S. C., and building one of the largest churches in that state, he was, in 1877, re-elected president of Notre Dame, and shortly afterward provincial a second time.

Father Corby began his work by naming Rev. Thomas E. Walsh vice-president and director of studies, and Rev. Christopher Kelly prefect of discipline. Every one worked hard, and the college affairs brightened up for a while, until April 23, 1879, when the grand old college, with many other buildings, was reduced to ashes. The loss was more than a quarter of a million dollars, not counting priceless treasures of art and science. No time could



be lost, so all the students and faculty were called to the church, about the only building left standing, and there Father Corby, with old-time war courage, made a bold, inspiring speech, telling all to return the following September—that classes would be resumed in a new building, far superior to the one then in ashes. Then he sent the students to their homes and rushed to Chicago to engage architects. Men and teams were put to work before the fire was entirely extinguished. It took ninety men and thirty teams several weeks to remove the debris, and dig up the old foundations, “not a stone of which was left upon a stone.” Finally Mr. Edbrooke, the famous Chicago architect, now inspecting architect for the United States government, arrived with plans for the new college. Seven brickyards were bought up, 350 mechanics and laboring men were employed, and in ninety days after the corner-stone was laid the class-rooms were thrown open on the first Tuesday of September, 1879; thus the promise made by Father Corby on the day of the fire was literally fulfilled.

Students flocked to Notre Dame from all parts of the country, and the university commenced a new era of prosperity. Father Corby continued in the president's seat until 1881, when his services were again demanded at Watertown, Wis. The debt of the lately established branch house having increased, he was obliged to return and help put the establishment on a better footing. With considerable vigor he nearly wiped out a debt of \$22,000, and built a fine, new parochial residence. In 1885 he was for the third time called to fill the office of provincial, which he held until August, 1892, when the general chapter of the order re-elected him provincial-superior of the United States and first assistant general for the entire world, and while holding this high office he was called from earth December 27, 1897.

Father Corby's natural disposition was mild, but with his military experience and his subsequent experience in administration, he cultivated, as duty commanded, the quality of firmness. This, added to his genial disposition, made him a general favorite. He was one of the most charitable and kind-hearted of men, sincere in his friendships, and devotedly attached to the society of which he was a member. He never forgot a kindness and never stooped to

resent an injury. Assisted as he was by cheerful, intelligent and willing confreres, who all loved him, his work gave satisfaction to every one.

**H**ANNAH M. GRAHAM, M. D., Marion block, Indianapolis, is a native of Charleston, Coles county, Ill., and is a daughter of Richard and Hannah (Cullen) Graham, the former of whom was born in England in 1824, and the latter in Ireland ten years later, and who were married in Hartford, Conn., in 1852.

Richard Graham was a stonework contractor by vocation, and soon after his marriage removed to Chicago, Ill., where he lived a number of years, and thence went to Charleston, where he passed the remainder of his life, dying December 21, 1874; his widow survived until November 10, 1895, when she, too, was called away. To these parents were born eleven children, in the following order: Edward, who follows his late father's business; Elizabeth, a teacher, still under the parental roof; Mary Isabel, engaged in a manufacturing business in Indianapolis; Rebecca, who died at the age of six years; Hannah M., our subject; William, a broom manufacturer at Charleston, Ill.; John, in partnership with William; Luella, at the parental home; Clara Alice, a teacher of instrumental music in Indianapolis; Emma G., a public school-teacher at Mattoon, Ill., and Richard, a railway employee, at Charleston.

Hannah M. Graham received her elementary education in the public schools of Charleston, where she completed the prescribed course, and then entered St. Mary's institute of Vigo county, Ind., under the charge of the Sisters of Providence, where she passed three years, finishing with the senior class; she then engaged in teaching for three years in the public schools of Charleston; the following year she studied medicine in the office of Dr. Patton, of the same city, and then entered the Central college of Physicians & Surgeons at Indianapolis, where she completed a three-year course under the preceptorial guidance of A. Sutcliffe, A. M., M. D., and graduated, with the degree of M. D., March 22, 1897. During these three years of professional study she also took a



*Marion M. Graham*



course of several months in clinical surgery under Dr. J. B. Murphy, A. M., M. D., at the Chicago Mercy hospital, and likewise a six months' course in clinical gynecology, under Joseph Eastman, M. D., LL. D., in Indianapolis.

Upon graduating, Dr. Graham at once opened her office in the Marion building, at the corner of Meridian and Ohio streets, where she is meeting with most flattering success. Her practice is principally confined to the treatment of diseases of women and children, although general ailments also receive her attention, in the treatment of which her success has been phenomenal. A young lady of great intellectuality and high professional attainments, and occupying a field of practice for which she is specially fitted by reason of her sex, her future financial prosperity, as well as professional fame, is a matter of easy prophecy.

The doctor is a member of St. John's church, of which she is a member of the Altar society, the league of the Sacred Heart, and the Young Ladies' sodality. Her accomplishments are exceeded only by her piety, and the City of Railroads may well congratulate itself upon being able to enroll her name among its most desirable residents.

**HENRY F. COSTELLO, M. D., of Decatur, Ind.**—The father of the subject of this sketch was James Costello, a native of Massachusetts, born in the city of Lowell, in the year 1832. He married, in 1858, Miss Mary Donovan, reared a family of three children, and departed this life in 1868. By occupation he was foreman of a large woolen-mill in his native state, and is remembered as a gentleman of sterling worth and unimpeachable integrity. His children, aside from the subject of this sketch, are Arthur W., who resides in Winchester, N. H., and Emma, wife of James McMillan, of Fort Wayne, Ind.

Dr. Henry F. Costello was born in the town of Ashuelot, N. H., November 28, 1862, and he received his education in the Brothers' school, Fort Wayne, and also at LaFayette, and at Decatur, Ind. He early selected the medical profession for his

life work, and after the usual preliminary preparation entered the Starling Medical college, Columbus, Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1886. The following year he located at Decatur, Ind., where he has since practiced his profession successfully, being at this time one of the well-known medical men of the county of Adams.

Dr. Costello was married June 4, 1890, to Miss Elizabeth Brake, the ceremony being performed in St. Mary's church by Father Wilken. Two children have been born of this marriage, to-wit: Mary Agnes and Daniel C. The doctor has been secretary of the county board of health since 1889, and he and family are members of St. Mary's church.

**J**EREMIAH COSTELLO, a merchant of considerable prominence in Indianapolis and doing business at No. 801 South Capitol avenue, is a native of county Kerry, Ireland, was born December 23, 1843, and is a son of Patrick and Mary (Hanafin) Costello, of whom further mention will be made.

Mr. Costello remained with his mother until he reached his majority and then came to America, landing at Castle Garden, N. Y., August 23, 1865, whence he came direct to Indianapolis. For the first six years of his life here he was employed as a puddler in a rolling-mill. September 5, 1882, he embarked in his present business at the place he still occupies, and here handles a full line of groceries, provisions, flour, feed, etc.

The marriage of Mr. Costello took place October 5, 1870, when he was united by Rev. Father Bessonies, at St. John's church, to Miss Julia Collins, who was born May 20, 1845, in county Kerry, Ireland, and this union has been blessed with eleven children, of whom four died in infancy or early childhood. The survivors are Patrick Francis, John Michael, Thomas William, Joseph Edward, Leo Martin, Sarah and Julia Mary the sons being assistants to the father in his business, and all still living beneath the parental roof. The family are members of St. John's church, and Mr. Costello is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Cel-

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tic club; in politics he is democratic, but has always declined to accept public office, preferring to attend to his private business affairs.

Mr. Costello is the only representative of his family in America. At the early age of seven years he lost his father; his mother remarried, and bore the name of Mary Collins at the time of her death, which occurred on the banks of Lake Killarney August 5, 1895, at about seventy-five years of age. Mr. Costello had one brother and three sisters. Of these, Michael and Johanna died in Ireland; Honora and Katherine are married and still remain in their native county Kerry. To the second marriage of Mr. Costello's mother were born eight children, of whom seven are still living, one having been drowned in the lake already named.

Mrs. Julia (Collins) Costello is a daughter of Maurice and Sarah (Collins) Collins, natives of parish Ashdu, county Kerry, Ireland, the former of whom died in young manhood; the mother then came to Canada, with her family of six children—Bridget, Anne, John, Thomas, Maurice and Julia. Of these, Anne and Maurice are now deceased; two came to the United States, but Mrs. Costello is the only representative of her family in the city of Indianapolis.

Mr. Costello has always been an industrious and temperate man. While employed as a laborer and mechanic, he saved the means to purchase a comfortable home and sufficient ready cash to invest in his present business, and now owns three dwellings beside his residence. He and family are among the most respected residents of the city and are especially prominent in their parish.

**W**ILLIAM CRAWFORD, a deceased farmer of Shelby county, Ind., was born in Jefferson county, March 9, 1839, a son of David and Sarah Crawford, natives of this state.

William Crawford was educated in Madison, Ind., and was reared to manhood as a farmer. He came to Shelby county in 1872, engaged in farm labor, and November 27, 1873, was baptized in the Catholic faith by Father Rudolph, who the same day

united him in the holy bonds of matrimony with Miss Cecile Wheeler, who was born in Shelby county, July 14, 1839, a daughter of Tilson and Rachael (Worland) Wheeler, natives of Richmond and Lexington, Ky., respectively, and afterward residents of Shelby county, and devout Catholics. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Crawford was blessed with two children, viz: Grace, born October 2, 1876, and David T., who was born November 1, 1879, but passed away June 19, 1880. Mr. Crawford continued his farming operations in Shelby county until his lamented death, April 1, 1881, a true convert to the Catholic faith and a highly respected citizen, his remains being interred in St. Vincent's Catholic cemetery.

The bereaved widow, with her daughter, continued to reside on her finely improved farm of 280 acres until 1885, when she removed to her handsome residence in Shelbyville. She and daughter are devout members of St. Joseph's congregation, and also members of St. Ann's sodality, and of the Sacred Heart league, while Miss Grace is a member of the Young Ladies' sodality, is organist of the children's choir, and is also assistant organist, to the choir of the church proper. The handsome residence of Mrs. Crawford and daughter is at No. 167 South Harrison street, where they are surrounded by a large circle of admiring friends, and highly respected by the entire community.

**T**IMOTHY CRONIN, a well-known general contractor, of Richmond, Ind., was born in county Cork, Ireland, in the parish of Kilmerry, in 1832, a son of Timothy and Mary (Fitzgerald) Cronin.

Timothy Cronin received a good common-school education in Ireland, and in 1851 came to America, landing in New York city. After making a short visit to an uncle, John Fitzgerald, near Rome, N. Y., he went to Syracuse, N. Y., to meet his brother, John, and shortly afterward both brothers went to Albion, in the same state, and for three months worked together on the Rochester & Niagara Falls railroad as laborers. They then came west, and at Dayton,



Ohio, found employment for three months as laborers on the Dayton & Western railroad. In 1853, Timothy Cronin was promoted to be foreman of a section gang operating between Richmond and New Paris, and made his headquarters at Richmond, and this position he held twenty-five years, although, at times, he was utilized as a construction-train hand. In 1878 he engaged in contracting on his own account—building bridges, paving streets and doing other stone work, and has been very successful in all his various undertakings.

April 26, 1860, Mr. Cronin was united in marriage, at Dayton, in St. Joseph's cathedral, by Rev. Father Kelly, to Miss Anna Madigan, of New Paris, Ohio, and this marriage was blessed with five children, viz: John Francis, now in partnership with his father; William A., a machinist and electrician, of Pittsburg, Pa.; George B., deceased; Felix F. and James T., at home. Mrs. Anna Cronin died in Richmond, December 28, 1889, a true Catholic, and her remains lie interred in St. Mary's cemetery.

The second marriage of Mr. Cronin was solemnized March 2, 1892, by Rev. Father McMullen, in St. Mary's church, Richmond, with Miss Mary McCormick, of New Paris, Ohio, and this union has been blessed with one bright boy, Walter, now two years old. The family belong to St. Mary's congregation, and contribute freely to the support of the church, of which, for four years, Mr. Cronin has been a trustee.

Mr. Cronin was a prime mover for the establishment of a new parish at New Paris, and for the erection of a church, in 1864, and not only contributed liberally of his own means for that purpose, but succeeded in inducing others to contribute to the amount necessary, and carried the project through to completion.

REV. PATRICK CRAWLEY, assistant pastor of St. Patrick's church at Fort Wayne, Ind., is one of the nine children born to Thomas and Mary (Ryan) Crawley, natives of county Roscommon, Ireland, where the reverend gentleman named above was born December 19, 1867. He received his elementary education

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in his native country, in 1890 emigrated to the United States, and in November, 1890, entered the college at Notre Dame, Ind., and completed his studies at Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1897. He was ordained at Fort Wayne, Ind., June 24, 1897, by Bishop Joseph Rademacher, and stationed at St. Patrick's church, under Rev. J. F. Delaney, July 16, 1897, and has proven to be an ardent, pious and able young clergyman, devoted to the duties of the holy calling he has chosen for his life-work.

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**M**ARTIN CUMMINGS, foreman of the Huntingburg Dry-Press Brick company, is a son of John and Bridget (Lewis) Cummings, was born in Ireland, November 15, 1844, and came with his parents to America in 1864. They located near Covington, Ky., on a farm, on which Martin lived for seven years, and then railroaded for fifteen years on construction work. He entered upon his present work in 1886, and has continued in this business ever since.

He was married September 1, 1870, to Miss Mary Howard, a daughter of John and Elizabeth (Eves) Howard, the ceremony being performed by the right reverend bishop of Covington, Ky. This union was blessed with eight children, of whom five are still living, viz: John, Mary, Ella, Robert E. and Leo H. All were christened in the Catholic church; John and Robert E. were confirmed by Bishop Chatard, and Mr. Cummings is especially active in church work. He has ever been a temperate and industrious man, and is well deserving of the high esteem in which he is universally held.

**R**EV. PATRICK J. CROSSON, pastor of St. Bernard's church, Crawfordsville, Montgomery county, Ind., is a native of Ireland, was born January 1, 1854, and is a son of Thomas and Rose (Kilkenny) Crosson. He received his classical education at All Hallows, in his native country, and in August, 1874, came to America and entered St. Mary's seminary at Cincinnati, Ohio; in

December of the same year he went to Milwaukee, Wis., pursued his theological studies at St. Francis seminary, and was ordained priest April 25, 1878, by Bishop Dwenger, of Fort Wayne, Ind.

His first appointment was as assistant at St. Mary's church, LaFayette, Ind., from which he was transferred to Lebanon, thence to Grass Creek, and then returned to LaFayette. January 1, 1881, he was placed in charge at Oxford, Benton county, Ind., where he remained until August 11, 1894, when he was appointed to his present charge, which includes St. Patrick's mission at Ladoga. Father Crosson has been very zealous in his good work, has organized several church societies in Crawfordsville, and also has supervision of the schools. He is pious and faithful, and his quiet and affable demeanor has gained for him large numbers of personal friends, while his labors as a pastor have endeared him in the hearts of his entire congregation.

EUGENE DAVID CURRAN, at No. 875 Virginia avenue, is a native of Indianapolis and was born June 3, 1859, a son of John and Ann (Webb) Curran, natives of county Cork, Ireland, but who were married in Salem, Mass., about 1856, and became the parents of six children, of whom four are still living, viz: Eugene D., John, Patrick and Matthew. A daughter, Nellie, died in infancy, and a son, James, died at the age of four years. The parents came to Indianapolis some little time after their marriage, and here all their children were born. Of the above-named children, John is employed by the United States Express company, is a married man and is the father of five children; Patrick is an express messenger on a railroad, and is also married, and Matthew is employed by the E. C. Atkins Saw works and likewise has a wife. The father of this family is now employed by the Little Sisters of the Poor, who also have in charge the mother, for treatment and cure, at the expense of the family.

Eugene D. Curran, in his youthful days, was an office boy for the Western Union Telegraph company, then was train-caller at the Union railroad station for a year or more, and next had charge

of the baggage room for a time. June 2, 1886, he was united in marriage, by Rev. Father O'Donaghue, at the bride's residence, to Miss Emma Jasper, daughter of Fred Jasper, a German Protestant, but Mrs. Curran has since been converted to Catholicity. Mr. Curran has always been a communicant of St. Patrick's church, in the parochial school of which he received his early education, supplemented by an attendance at the public schools. In politics a democrat, he is a member of the Gray club, which is devoted to democratic work, and he also wields a potent influence in local democratic affairs. He has been engaged in business in his native city for eleven years, owns his business place and a comfortable residence connected therewith, and has so lived as to gain the respect of the entire community in which he lives.

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REV. ANTHONY J. KROEGER, of St. John the Baptist church, Tipton, was born in Germany, came to the United States in 1871, as a young student, at the instance of his uncle, Rev. Barnard Kroeger, and continued his studies for the priesthood at Cincinnati, was ordained in 1880, and his first charge was at Goshen-Elkhart county, Ind., where he remained seven years, officiating, also, at the missions in Millersburg, Elkhart county, and Ligonier, Noble county, and was then transferred to LaGro, in Wabash county, and also attended the mission at Andrews, in Huntington county, building the first church at the latter place. In 1890 he was placed in charge at Tipton, and here, too, he has performed great and good work, having assisted at the dedication of St. John's church in August, 1891, and having since greatly improved the temporal and spiritual condition of his people, as well as having added to the church improvements, as will be discovered by a perusal of the history of the church, to be found in its proper place in this work.

Father Kroeger, while a man of excellent judgment, always consults his people before expending money, and thus each member of his parish feels a personal interest in everything done, and as he is a very conservative business man his congregation is ever





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ready to furnish all the money needed, and even take special delight in making more and better improvements than their pastor recommends.

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**REV. CHARLES CURRAN**, pastor of St. Patrick's church, Daviess county, Ind., with his post-office address at Corning, Ind., was born in Seneca Falls, N. Y., October 22, 1852, and is the eleventh child of a family of twelve born to Richard and Catharine (Malay) Curran. Of these twelve children, two were reared Catholic clergymen—Rev. Charles, and Rev. Daniel Curran, pastor of St. Bridget's, at Indianapolis.

The rudimentary education of Rev. Charles Curran was acquired in the common schools of his native town, which he attended until fourteen years of age, when he entered St. Bonaventure college (1866), attended one year, and then, on account of failing health, returned to his home. After a long rest, during which time he studied in private, he entered St. Meinrad's seminary, in Spencer county, Ind., in 1875, from which he graduated and was ordained priest June 11, 1880, by Bishop Francis Silas Chatard. His first charge was that of Brightwood, Ind., and during his excellent labors in that mission for two and a half years he was also assistant priest of St. John's, in Indianapolis, and had his home in the house of the bishop. November 1, 1882, he was assigned to the pastorate of St. Martin's parish, Martin county, as the first resident priest, and during his stay there of two years erected a beautiful parsonage at a cost of \$2,000.

September 12, 1885, Father Curran assumed charge of St. Patrick's, his present parish, one of the oldest in the diocese of Vincennes. On his arrival here he found about seventy-five parishioners of the old Catholic stock, and of these there are probably twenty-five or thirty still living. At the present time the congregation consists of 135 families, comprising, possibly, 650 souls.

Since Father Curran has been in charge of St. Patrick's parish his labors have been zealous and arduous. He has completed the Glencoe chapel-building, the foundation of which was laid by his predecessor, Father Ginnsz, this structure being a substantial

stone and brick building, consisting of three apartments, two of which are school-rooms, each 22 x 28 feet. The chapel, containing twenty-four pews, is used for the last services over the remains of deceased members of the congregation, who live in the Glencoe district, and is known as the Mortuary chapel. The house of worship proper is 33 x 54 feet, and is beautifully situated in a grove of primeval forest trees on a gently sloping eminence.

Father Curran also established a school for the children of his parish, for which he obtained the desks and seats by private contribution. He has erected a brick and stone parsonage, 50 x 55 feet, two stories high, with an attic and roof of slate, and a broad verandah, the whole building requiring 195,000 brick, which were made on the ground, the cost of which amounted to \$3,000; the elegant interior furnishings were an additional expense (paid for by the congregation, who have nobly stood by their beloved pastor in making all these improvements), beside the furnace for heating the church, the ceiling and wainscoting, new pews, a new altar and a church organ—the value of the church property being now placed at \$18,000.

A temperance society for men and boys is an adjunct of the congregation, also a cadet society, and the society of the Sacred Heart for girls. Father Curran has indeed been indomitable in his labors for the promotion of the welfare of his parish, and his ripe scholarship, affable manners and sincere piety have won for him the deep love of his devoted flock, as well as the respect of hundreds outside the pale of his church.

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JOHN CURRAN, deceased, one of the early Catholic residents of St. Patrick's parish, Indianapolis, his family still residing at No. 1112 English avenue, was born in county Kerry, Ireland. His mother died when he was but a child, leaving his father with a family of eight children—four sons and four daughters.

In 1864 Mr. Curran came to the United States, at once settled in Indianapolis, and lived here until his death, which occurred February 23, 1873. His wife, who survives him, was formerly Miss

Joanna Pinton, was also born in county Kerry, Ireland, and came to the United States when she was but sixteen years of age. Her father died when she was but an infant, but her mother still lives in her native land, and has attained a very advanced age. She was the mother of six children, of whom Mrs. Curran is the youngest. Mrs. Curran is a sister of Mrs. O'Mara, of St. Bridget's parish, Indianapolis, the wife of Richard O'Mara.

Mr. and Mrs. John Curran became residents of St. Patrick's parish soon after their marriage, and in Indianapolis Mr. Curran lived until his death, which occurred January 23, 1892, leaving a wife and seven children. Of these children, Michael J., the eldest, was about eighteen years old, and the youngest was less than three years old when their father died. The seven children, in order of their birth, were named as follows: Michael J., Timothy T., Mary Margaret, Abigail, Catherine, Patrick W., and Daniel F. Mr. Curran was a most worthy man and a highly respected member of the Catholic church, and his daughter, Abigail, is now Sister Loretta of St. Mary's of the Woods. Michael J. Curran, the eldest of the children, is a boilermaker by trade and occupation, and a member of Capital council, No. 276, Young Men's institute. He is, as his father was before him, an industrious and worthy citizen.

REV. VALENTINE CZYZEWSKI, C. S. C., pastor of St. Hedwig's church, No. 331 South Scott street, South Bend, Ind., is a native of the village of Talkuny, government Suwalki, Poland, was born February 14, 1846, and is a son of Joseph and Eva (Zylinvki) Czyzewski. He received his preparatory education in his native land, and in 1869 came to the United States.

After further educational preparation, he joined the Community of the Holy Cross of Notre Dame, St. Joseph county, Ind., in 1873, finished his theological studies in 1876, and December 28, of the same year, was ordained priest by Bishop Dwenger, of Fort Wayne diocese. His first pastoral appointment was that of St. Joseph's, South Bend, January 1, 1877, where his ministerial duties were performed until the church-edifice was destroyed by a

windstorm in 1879. The congregation, however, held together, of which he had the care until the completion of St. Hedwig's church-building in 1883.

As an incidental illustration of the energy and devotion to the work of the church in which Father Czyzewski has exerted himself, it may be mentioned that, when he was appointed to the charge of St. Joseph's church, the congregation numbered 120 families, but now his flock numbers at least 1,200 families—all Poles. Since his ordination, he has been the chief factor in causing the erection of six church-buildings and six school-houses, the means for which was obtained through his earnest exertions in representing to his people the need that existed for the provision of proper places where the church might be advanced by the gathering together of its adherents, and the young be educated in preparation for communion in the holy faith, as well as for the practical affairs of secular life.

He has three assistants, viz: Revs. A. Zubowicz, C. S. C.; Roman Marciniak, C. S. C., and Casimir Smogor, C. S. C. Brother Hanislaus, C. S. C., has been teaching the school since 1882. Eight Sisters of the Holy Cross and six secular teachers also teach in the school, at which there are over 950 pupils in attendance.

**J**OHAN DAILY, a representative citizen of Bogard township, Daviess county, Ind., was born in this county in 1844, a son of Peter and Catherine (Foley) Daily, who were the parents of seven children, viz: Thomas, a farmer of Bogard township; Mary, wife of John Healy, of St. Michael's parish; Kate, wife of Patrick Duffy, of Washington township, Daviess county; Margaret, married to David Wade; Elizabeth, wife of Edward Brady, a coun-  
cilman of Washington; John, whose name opens this paragraph, and Bridget, wife of Patrick O'Neill, also of Washington.

Peter Daily, father of the above family, was born in Ireland in May, 1804, and about 1832 sailed from Liverpool, England, for Boston, Mass. From Boston he came to Indiana and for a short time lived in Madison; in 1839 he settled in Daviess county on a

farm in the woods, which he developed into a comfortable home, and here passed the remainder of his life, dying in the Catholic faith in 1875, and here his wife, also a native of Ireland, was likewise called away in the same faith.

John Daily was confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais in St. Peter's parish, which was then under the pastorate of Father Piers, and since reaching manhood's years has been an important factor in advancing Catholicity in the parish of St. Michael. He was first married, by Father Piers, in 1874, to Miss Elizabeth Madden, who bore him five children, of whom three are still living, George, Thomas and John, and of these the elder two were confirmed by Bishop Chatard, and the youngest is still at school, but not yet confirmed. Mrs. Daily died in the faith in 1884, and in January, 1886, Mr. Daily was joined in wedlock, by Father Piers, with Miss Julia Madden, a sister of his deceased wife. This union has been blessed with two sons and two daughters: Arthur Joseph, Elizabeth, William and Catherine.

Mr. Daily has been a trustee of St. Michael's parish for several years, Thomas Wade, of Bogard township, being the other trustee. In politics a democrat, as was his father, Mr. Daily cast his first presidential vote for Horatio Seymour, of New York, and has been a faithful adherent of democracy ever since. With a fair start in life, he has improved his advantages, and through judicious management he has secured a fine farm of 200 acres, which he has improved with substantial buildings and placed under an excellent state of cultivation. He is loyal to his church and attentive to his religious duties, being prompt and liberal in his contributions in aid of St. Michael's and its sodalities, and is one of the most respected citizens of Daviess county.

**A**IMON J. DANT, proprietor of the Washington Bottling works and city councilman of Washington, Ind., one of the most progressive citizens of the place, and a prominent member of St. Simon's church, was born in Barr township, Daviess county, Ind., August 12, 1855, son of Edward and Eliza J. (Grider) Dant.

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The father was born in Maryland, in 1811, son of William Dant, a native of Germany, and was reared to manhood on the paternal farm. In 1835 he located in Barr township, Daviess county, Ind., entering 160 acres of land, upon which he resided until his death, which occurred in April, 1884. In 1837 he was married, in Vincennes, Ind., to Eliza J. Grider, who was born in Knox county, Ind., a daughter of James Grider, of German extraction. To this union "the baker's dozen" of children were born, of whom eight survive, viz: Mary; Barbara, wife of J. H. Kidwell; Edward W., a farmer; Amanda E.; Aimon J., our subject; Catherine, now Sister Mary Paylette, of Loretta Convent, Colo.; Jennie, wife of Frank Dixon, and Julia A., wife of J. L. Carrico. This family was reared in the Catholic faith, as members of St. Peter's parish, at Montgomery, and the father was a prominent democrat in that locality.

Aimon J. Dant was reared to manhood on the farm, and, being given all the advantages of the public schools, graduated from the city high school in the spring of 1876. After completing his schooling he remained on the farm for a year, and then went to Mattoon, Ill., where for four years he was engaged as bookkeeper in the shops of the Peoria, Decatur & Evansville R. R. Upon the election of his brother-in-law, J. H. Kidwell, to the office of county recorder, our subject was tendered the position of deputy recorder, which he held until 1887, when he resigned to accept a position with R. S. Beeson & Son, hardware dealers, with whom he remained until 1892, when he purchased the Washington Bottling works of F. W. Teiman, and in this business has since been engaged very successfully. The Washington Bottling works do quite an extensive business in the manufacture of temperance, or "soft" drinks, and the bottling of mineral waters, and Mr. Dant's practical business methods, and pleasant manner of treating his patrons, are adding daily to the success and importance of this well-known local industry.

On January 8, 1881, at Olney, Ill., Mr. Dant was united in marriage to Miss Cora I. Ensor, who was born in Richland county, Ill., in April, 1863, and died in November, 1883, leaving one child, Mabel, who did not long survive her. Mr. Dant was next married,

in Washington, October 7, 1886, to Miss Mary Billings, who was born in Daviess county, December 8, 1860, daughter of Jesse and Sarah (Miller) Billings, natives of Illinois, of German-Irish descent. Two children are the fruits of this union, Aimon J., Jr., and Leo Gaddis. This is an influential family in St. Simon's parish and is highly regarded in the community.

Mr. Dant owns a pleasant residence property at the corner of Third and Maple streets, the bottling plant being on the opposite corner. He is a democrat and takes an active and personal interest in local politics. In 1889 he was elected to the city council from the Second ward, and was afterward twice returned to the council from the same. He is a charter member of the Industrial Building & Loan association, and a prominent member of the Young Men's institute.

**A**DAM P. DAUB, the well-known butcher and dealer in meats, at Goshen, Elkhart county, was born in Fort Wayne, Ind., March 3, 1859, and is a son of Adam and Sophia (Offenbach) Daub, natives of Germany. The father came to America in 1857 and the same year married Miss Offenbach, a native of his own province, and located in Fort Wayne, Ind., where he was engaged in the butcher business until 1872, when he removed to Defiance, Ohio, where he is now following the same line of trade.

Adam P. Daub, the eldest of the thirteen children born to his parents, attended a parochial school until twelve years of age and then entered his father's meat market, where he rendered material assistance until twenty-two years old, at the same time thoroughly familiarizing himself with the business. From that time on, he clerked in Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin until 1892, when he came to Goshen and opened his present establishment, where he has since conducted a most satisfactory trade, from a financial point of view.

Mr. Daub was most happily united in marriage, in Goshen, May 19, 1889, with Mrs. Eveline Heimbaugh, who was born in this city November 19, 1861, a daughter of Andrew Yant, and widow of Nathan Heimbaugh. Mr. and Mrs. Daub are both devout

Catholics and members of St. John's congregation, and Mr. Daub is president of St. John's School society. They contribute very freely of their means toward the support of the church and willingly do all in their power to aid it in its works of charity and its educational endeavors. In politics Mr. Daub affiliates with the democratic party, and does his full duty at the polls, never failing to exercise his franchise, but never seeking recompense through nomination for office. He has always been attentive to his business and regardful of the needs of his patrons; is polite, cheerful and accommodating, moderate in his charges, and ever careful that his customers get nothing save the best viands. He owns his residence property, and he and wife enjoy the esteem of a wide circle of warm-hearted and faithful friends.

REV. BARNARD KROEGER, pastor of St. Bridget's church, Logansport, is a native of Oldenburg, Prussia, and was born in 1833. He attended the schools of his native country until his seventeenth year, when he came to the United States and located temporarily in Cincinnati, going thence to Teutopolis, Ill., where he found employment as a clerk in a dry-goods house. He continued merchandizing four years, and at the end of that time returned to Europe, where he remained a short time, coming back to the United States the following year, and entering Mount St. Mary's college, at Cincinnati, where he pursued his studies for a period of two years. He made rapid progress during that time, and to further his education afterward became a student in the Benedict college in Westmoreland county, Pa., where he remained six years. His acquirements in theology were steadily added to, and he was ordained August 2, 1863, at Fort Wayne, by Rt. Rev. Bishop Luers, the same day Rev. Joseph Rademacher, now bishop, was ordained. His first work was in the city of Fort Wayne, where he remained a short time, coming to Logansport September 8, 1863, as assistant to Rev. Father George Hamilton, who was in charge of St. Vincent de Paul, the only Catholic congregation in the city at that time. January 5, 1864, he went to Peru, where







*Bernard Krueger*



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he was instrumental in building the Church of St. Charles Barromeo, and where he remained with great acceptance until 1872. In the latter year, at the earnest request of Bishop Luers, he took charge of the St. Joseph's Orphan asylum, at Rensselaer, Ind., and continued in that capacity until March 1, 1875, when he was appointed pastor of St. Bridget's parish at Logansport. He found the parish in debt and greatly in need of a suitable house of worship, but with his characteristic energy he put his shoulder vigorously to the wheel, and in a few months extricated the society from its former position.

Among his other many good works may be mentioned his purchase of the church site at Marion, Ind., for \$700 (it being now worth thousands), and his building of the first church at that point; he bought the land and also built the first church at Rochester; he organized the congregation at Bunker Hill, purchased a business block and converted it into a house of worship; he purchased the ground for a church at Tipton; built churches at Mullen's, at Busher's and at Wabash, built a parochial residence at LaGro, made numerous improvements at Rensselaer, and during his pastorate at Peru attended thirteen missions.

Father Kroeger is a man of generous impulses and kindly heart. He has won a lasting place in the hearts of his congregation, and his eminent social qualities have made him friends among all classes and orders. "Under his administration and the power and force of his ministry, he has largely increased the membership of his congregation, a conclusive evidence of the reverence his people repose in him for his ability and teachings." His life has been fraught with good works, and his kind words of admonition have induced many to abandon the ways of sin for the better way leading to virtue and holiness.

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**A**LBERT DAUNHAUER, a prosperous young general merchant at Troy, Perry county, Ind., is a native of this state and was born at Mariah Hill, Spencer county, May 21, 1862, a son of John and Regiana (Spayd) Daunhauer, also native Americans, the father

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having been born in Harrisburg, Pa., February 18, 1837, and the mother in Sharpsburg, Pa., March 15, 1838. Both parents came to Indiana in their youthful days, located at Ferdinand, Dubois county, were married in 1858, and now live near Mariah Hill, where they enjoy the unalloyed esteem of all who know them.

Albert Daunhauer was primarily educated in the free school at Mariah Hill, and later attended St. Meinrad's college, in Spencer county. At the age of eighteen years he commenced teaching in the free schools, and for five years pursued a very successful career as an educator. He began his business life as a clerk in the general store of John G. Beckmann, at Ferdinand, performed his duties very satisfactorily for two years—gaining, in the meantime a thorough knowledge of the business. In August, 1888, Mr. Daunhauer made a trip east, saw something of the world, and in April, 1889, returned to his home.

The marriage of Mr. Daunhauer took place May 21, 1889, to Miss Frances C. Leingang, who was born in Troy, Ind., March 31, 1859, a daughter of Jacob and Catherine Leingang, and this union has been blessed with two children, viz: Olivia, who was born July 17, 1890, and Martine, who was born July 9, 1894, but was called away August 12th, in the same year. Mr. and Mrs. Daunhauer are devout Catholics, and attend St. Pius' church at Troy, in which city Mr. Daunhauer settled in 1889. Mr. Daunhauer is a member of St. Joseph's sodality, contributes freely to the support of the church, and is greatly respected in the community in which he makes his home.

**J**OHAN DAVEY, wholesale and retail merchant, No. 169 West Michigan street, Indianapolis, Ind., was born June 24, 1845, in county Sligo, Ireland. He is a son of Patrick and Kate (Cavanaugh) Davey, both natives of county Sligo, in which county the former was a farmer and in which both died at a ripe old age.

John Davey, the subject of this sketch, was the third of a family of five children, two whom are now deceased. The eldest is named Patrick, is a resident of Paducah, Ky., is a traveling

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salesman, and is a widower; Mary is a resident of Haughville, a suburb of Indianapolis, and is the wife of James Oates, a native of Ireland and a laboring man. Mr. and Mrs. Oates have a fine family of seven children. Bridget and Thomas are dead, both dying in their youth. John Davey came to the United States in April, 1864, locating in Madison, Ind. A year later he came to Indianapolis and was for some time employed in a wholesale grocery store. After four years spent in this way he traveled one year and then returned to Indianapolis, establishing himself in his present business, in which he carries on a wholesale and retail trade.

By his first wife he had no children. In 1892 he paid a visit to his native land, and while there married Miss Kate Davey, who, though of the same name, is no blood relative, and returned to Indianapolis after a three months' sojourn in Ireland, and upon his return he resumed his former business. By his second wife Mr. Davey has had one child, which died in infancy, and who was christened, by lay baptism, Ellen. Both Mr. and Mrs. Davey are members of St. Anthony's Catholic church, the former being a liberal contributor to its support and also to the support of all the church societies, and Mrs. Davey being a most devout and active worker. Mr. Davey has been also a liberal contributor to the building fund, to the parochial school, to the parochial residence, and to the Sisters' house, as well as other organizations belonging to the church. Politically he is a democrat, and is an active and loyal member of his party, and in his business is straightforward and honorable.

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**T**IMOTHY DAWSON, deceased, was born in county Tipperary, Ireland, June 12, 1843, and when a lad was brought to America by his father, James Dawson, who, with his large family, settled in Evansville, Ind., where his death took place many years ago, and where the death of his widow occurred in March, 1896. Of the children, three only are now living, viz: Philip and Mrs. Winnefred Gorman, who reside at Evansville; the other is now Sister Raymond, at St. Mary's of the Woods.

Timothy Dawson grew to manhood in Evansville, and at the

outbreak of the Rebellion enlisted, in that city, in a regiment of Indiana infantry, in which he did good and faithful service. Soon after the close of the war he came to Indianapolis, and on May 23, 1866, was united in marriage with Miss Mary A. Carney, who was born in London, England, in January, 1851, a daughter of John and Catherine Carney, natives of Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Carney came to America soon after marriage, Mrs. Dawson being then a babe, and for a long time resided in St. John's parish, Indianapolis, of which Mr. Carney for a number of years was a prominent trustee, and where his death took place December 14, 1883, at the age of fifty-six years. His widow makes her home with Mrs. Dawson, the only other surviving child being Mrs. Margaret McCoole, of Chicago, Ill. After marriage Mr. Dawson engaged in wholesale business in Indianapolis until about 1877, when he removed his family to Holly Springs, Miss., where for fifteen years Mr. Dawson was superintendent of the city cemetery. In 1872 he returned to Indianapolis and lived in retirement until his death, which occurred on the 17th day of March, 1894, leaving a family consisting of his wife and four children—James R., Catherine Ramonda, Cornelius and Francis. He was a true Catholic, was a devoted husband and father, and a highly respected citizen, and left behind him a spotless name. The family reside at No. 1403 Hoyt avenue, Indianapolis, and is one of the oldest and most highly respected of St. Patrick's parish.

TERRENCE DEAN resides with his family at No. 629 East New York street, Indianapolis, Ind., they having been residents of this city since 1884. Mr. Dean was born in county Mayo, Ireland, May 19, 1819, there growing to manhood and marrying Miss Honora Welch, his present wife. She is a native of the same parish with himself. They were married January 16, 1847, and celebrated their golden wedding at their home on January 16, 1897. Mr. and Mrs. Dean came to the United States in the March succeeding their marriage, living at various places until 1860, when they settled down in Vincennes. Here they lived until 1884, when they removed to Indianapolis, which since then has been their home.



There have been born to them ten children, of whom four are still living, viz: Thomas, the eldest, a resident of Chicago, who is the only son, and who, for some time in his youthful days, was a schoolmate of the Rev. Father O'Donaghue, of St. Patrick's church of Indianapolis; Bridget, Honora and Mary, the three daughters, constitute the remainder of the family. The six other children all died in early life.

Mr. Dean and his family are all faithful, consistent and active members of the Catholic church, and the children were all educated in the Catholic schools, and are all honorable and worthy citizens, as are their parents. Miss Mary Dean, the youngest of the family, is a fine artist, the home of the family being adorned with many beautiful paintings of her production. The entire family is well represented in the different church organizations, the parents belonging to the sodalities of St. Michael and St. Ann, respectively, and the daughters to the sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

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**H**ON. JAMES HENRY DEERY, superintendent of the city delivery department of the Indianapolis post-office, was born near Newburgh, N. Y., January 8, 1852, and is a son of Edward and Bridget Deery, natives of county Donegal, Ireland.

When J. H. Deery was an infant of eighteen months the family came to Indianapolis, where he was reared to manhood. He was educated in the district and in St. John's parochial schools, and learned the arts of decoration and painting, and these vocations he followed for twenty years. In 1885, he was appointed superintendent of city delivery in the post-office and served for four years; in 1892, he was elected a representative from Marion county to the state legislature, served during the session of 1893, and did effective work in behalf of the laboring element of the population, and among other bills introduced that abolishing the state-prison labor contract system, which he had the satisfaction of seeing passed and becoming a law at the subsequent session. In fact, he was very active and earnest in the advocacy of all measures calculated to enhance the interests of the laboring man. Succeeding his

legislative term, he was again appointed, in 1894, as superintendent of delivery of mails, and has filled this responsible position with entire satisfaction to all concerned up to the present time.

Mr. Deery was united in marriage February 6, 1879, in St. Joseph's church, Indianapolis, by Rev. H. Alerding, with Miss Mary Augustine Breen. She is a daughter of James and Johanna Breen, and was born in Greenville, Ohio. Six children have blessed this union, named as follows: Josephine, James E., Mary, Marguerite, Grace and Katherine—the last named having been called away in 1885, at the age of fifteen months.

The family are members of St. Joseph's congregation, and Mr. Deery has been a member of the Y. M. I. ever since its organization. He was also a member of the Emerald Benevolent union, and for eighteen years has been a member of the A. O. H.; was its county delegate five years, has been president of division No. 3 for the last eight years, and has attended as a member of its state and national conventions. For thirteen years he has been president of the Celtic Building & Loan association, which is the largest of its kind in the state. He is likewise a member of and director in the Holy Cross Cemetery association, and has served three terms as trustee of St. Joseph's church, of which he was a member of the building committee, which supervised the erection of the church and hall. He has been, as is plainly shown, most active in all good work, is charitable to a fault, and well deserves the high esteem in which he is universally held.

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VALENTINE DEHLER, who is extensively engaged in the clothing and boot and shoe trade in Madison, Ind., was born in Hessen-Germany, November 25, 1840, a son of Andrew and Mary (Loeffinger) Dehler, who were the parents of eleven children, of whom five came to the United States, viz: Andy and Andrew, deceased; Valentine, the subject of this notice; Frank, who resides in Jefferson county, Ind., and Gertrude, deceased wife of Andrew Adams, of Madison.

Valentine Dehler leared shoemaking under his father, and

came alone to the United States in 1864, landing at New York, whence he came direct to Madison, Ind., worked as a journeyman three years, and then engaged in business for himself, making boots and shoes, and gradually adding ready-made footwear to his stock in trade until he owned one of the best shoe stores in the city. In January, 1893, he added clothing to his stock of footwear, now owns a double store, and does the largest business in his line within the city limits, although he had a capital of only \$50 when he arrived in Madison.

The marriage of Mr. Dehler took place October 9, 1865, to Miss Catherine Brown, who was born in Germany, a daughter of Ignaha Brown, and who, when young, came alone to America. To this happy marriage have been born ten children, of whom six still survive, viz: Andrew, William E., John, Charles, Frank and Elizabeth, all still at home. The family are all faithful members of St. Mary's church, of which Mr. Dehler has at different times served as a trustee, and Mr. Dehler is, beside, a member of the Catholic Knights of America. He is an ardent democrat in politics, but has never sought public office, preferring to devote his time and attention to his legitimate business as a merchant, which has realized for him a competency, as he now owns three fine store buildings, beside his business block. His reputation as a merchant stands without reproach, and he and family stand very high in the esteem of the community at large.

CAPT. PETER WILLIAM DELANEY, of hose company No. 17, Indianapolis city fire department, was born in the Fifteenth ward of the Railroad city, January 11, 1870, and this has ever been his home.

Peter J. and Catherine (Ryan) Delaney, parents of the captain, were respectively born in county Queens, Ireland, in May, 1821, and in county Roscommon, November 20, 1835. The father came to America in 1857, and settled in Indianapolis, and the mother arrived in 1864. Here they were married, in St. John's church, November 21, 1867, the union being blessed with five

children, viz: Catherine, born September 12, 1868—died August 10, 1869; Peter W., our subject; Daniel, born August 31, 1871—died August 31, 1876; Thomas F., born April 2, 1874, is unmarried, and does business at the corner of Church and Ray streets; James, born April 1, 1876, is a theological student at Cleveland, Ohio, is a member of the Franciscan order, and bears the ecclesiastical name of Father Arcadius. The venerated mother of these children died August 6, 1896, and the father, still more venerable, has his residence on East Vermont street, where he piously awaits the summons to rejoin the companion of his early manhood.

Peter W. Delaney received a good public-school education in his youth, which was supplemented by a two-year course at the Brothers' school. He began business life as a clerk in a mercantile house, and was thus employed when appointed, March 29, 1890, a member of the fire department, and was advanced to the position he now holds May 18, 1896.

Capt. Delaney is still unmarried, although he is as steady-going a young man as the most venerable Benedict in the city. He is a member of St. John's church, under the pastorate of Rev. Father Gavisk, and is also a member of division No. 1, Ancient Order of Hibernians. Politically he is a democrat. His venerable father, who is now leading a life of retirement, is a devout Catholic, and his deceased wife was very ardent as a worker in the Living Rosary society, to which she devoted her best energies to the close of her pious life.

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REV. FIDELIS MAUTE, O. S. B. (deceased), pastor of St. Joseph's church at Jasper, Dubois county, Ind., was born March 18, 1837, in Inneringen, province of Hohenzollern (Sigmaringen, Prussia), of poor parentage.

At an early age he evinced a desire to consecrate his life to the priesthood, and with that object in view took a classical course at Hedingen, near Sigmaringen, and concluded this course at the college of Maria Einsiedeln, in Switzerland, and at Mayence.

In 1861, when twenty-four years of age, he came to America, landing in New York during the night of June 21, just thirty-six



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years, to the day, before he died. He proceeded immediately to St. Meinrad, Spencer county, Ind., and joined the order of St. Benedict. On the 8th of September, 1863, he took his solemn vows, and his worldly name changed from Joseph Maute to that of Frater Fidelis, as this religious order prescribes that one leaving the world, and all its pomps, shall take and be known henceforth by a new name. On the 2d day of January, 1864, Frater Fidelis was ordained to the priesthood at Vincennes, by Rt. Rev. Maurice de St. Palais, bishop of the diocese of Vincennes.

In July, 1865, he was sent by Rt. Rev. Martin Marty, abbot at St. Meinrad, to Jasper, and on the 22d of that month took charge of this parish, the first recorded act as pastor being the baptism, on the 25th of July, 1865, of Rosa Anna M. Mueller, daughter of Andrew and Mary Mueller. About 1868 Father Fidelis began the erection of the massive stone church here, which will stand for ages as a monument to his zeal, vigor, perseverance, energy and executive ability, for he not only directed the work of hired artisans, but with his own hands helped place many of the huge sandstones, of which the church is built, in position. During his term as pastor of St. Joseph's church he officiated at 1,164 funerals and 1,998 baptisms. The last child baptized by Father Fidelis was the infant son, William, of Nicholas and Catharina Mehringer. The first couple he married was on August 8, 1865, viz: William Burger and Elizabeth Hopf, and the last couple, November 26, 1895, Charles Steffi and Anna Maria Buechlein. Had Father Fidelis lived just one month longer; he would have been in charge of this congregation thirty-two years, but his lamented death took place at 6:45 A. M. June 22, 1897, the cause of which was a cancerous tumor. For the cure of this an operation had been performed upon him January 17, 1896, and even then it was not expected that he would survive more than a week or ten days, but his wonderful vitality asserted itself, and for a long time it was thought that he would fully recover, but he was called by his Divine Master at 6:40 o'clock on the day mentioned, and cheerfully did he answer the summons. Thus passed away one of the most pious, diligent, and zealous servants of the Holy Church that ever graced the diocese of Vincennes.

ULRICH DEININGER was born in Bavaria, Germany, July 4, 1839. His father, Joseph Deininger, also a native of the kingdom of Bavaria, was born in the year 1803 and early learned the tailor's trade, which he followed in the old country until emigrating to the United States in 1854. Immediately after landing at Baltimore, Md., Joseph Deininger proceeded to Johnstown, Pa., where he followed his chosen calling until his retirement from active life in 1866. He was married, in 1832, in Bavaria, to Miss Mary Magdaline Linse, who bore him seven children; Anna, wife of Henry Lowes; Magdaline, wife of Rudolph Ball; Pauline, now Mrs. Higgins; Joseph, deceased; Emma, married to William Neuman; Sophia, wife of Prof. Ferdinand Buehler, and Ulrich. The father died at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Prof. Buehler, Utica, N. Y., May 15, 1892.

Ulrich Deininger attended schools in his native country during his youthful years and afterward served a three years' apprenticeship at the tailor's trade. After the family located at Johnstown, Pa., he found employment in the Cambria Iron works of that city, and continued in that capacity until 1861, when he enlisted in John P. Linton's company, with which he served until the latter part of the same year. After receiving his discharge, he went to Fort Wayne, Ind., where, from 1862 until 1864, he was engaged in the restaurant and confectionery business.

In February of the latter year Mr. Deininger, in company with a party of twenty prospectors from Fort Wayne, went overland to the Rocky mountains, reaching Virginia City, Mont., in July, 1864. He opened a restaurant and bakery in that city, but soon moved to a place known as Confederate Gulch, where he followed mining with most gratifying success for a period of one year. Mr. Deininger returned to Fort Wayne, Ind., in the fall of 1866, and the year following engaged in mercantile business in that city, handling groceries and notions until 1880, when he disposed of his stock and removed to Decatur. Here he has since carried on a large and very successful business in the millinery and notion line, his store being by far the largest and most flourishing of the kind in the city.

Mr. Deininger was united in marriage in St. Mary's church,



Decatur, January 9, 1879, with Miss Magdeline Bremerkamp, a union blessed with the birth of eight children: Mary, Ada, Bertha, Frederick, Agnes, Carl, Francis and Leonard. Mr. Deininger and family are members of St. Mary's parish.

**T**HOMAS F. DELANEY, a popular man of business at the corner of West Ray and Church streets, Indianapolis, Ind., was born in this city April 2, 1874, and is a son of Peter J. and Catherine (Ryan) Delaney, both natives of Ireland.

Peter J. Delaney was a native of Queen's county and his wife was born in Roscommon, but they were married at St. John's church in Indianapolis. The former was an iron worker by trade, and is now retired; the mother died August 6, 1896. They were the parents of five children, viz: Peter W., whose biographical sketch appears elsewhere in this work; Thomas F., the subject of this sketch; James Benedict, a theological student at Cleveland, Ohio, where he will complete a ten years' course in theology in 1898; and two that have died.

Thomas F. Delaney is a sign writer and painter by trade, beginning this work in 1893 in the city of New York. Afterward he followed the same business in Indianapolis for about three years, and in the summer of 1897 became engaged in his present business. Mr. Delaney is a young man of fine business qualifications and is of good personal habits. He married Miss Josie O'Neil, a native of Ireland, who was brought to this country when one year old by her parents, Jeremiah and Johanna O'Neil. Mr. Delaney was educated in the high schools of Paterson, N. J., and since completing his education has traveled extensively for a wholesale queensware house, visiting Canada, and the eastern and middle states, and he was also for a time city salesman for the same firm. He is a member of St. John's Catholic church, in which he was baptized and confirmed. He has been identified with the C. K. of A., and with the Knights of Father Mathew, though not now affiliating with either organization.

Mr. Delaney served four years as a member of the Indiana

militia, being lieutenant of company A, Second Indiana national guard, and was called into service to suppress a threatened riot at Brazil, Ind., and there saw enough of active service, resigned his office and retired. He then joined a zouave company, competing for and winning prizes in competitive drill at Peru, Vincennes, LaFayette, Crawfordsville and Tipton, and he is still a member of that company. Mr. Delaney is one of the popular young men of Indianapolis, and has many friends; stands well in the community for the straightforwardness of his career and conduct, and is respected as a citizen by all.

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**D**ENNIS J. COLBERT, United States postal clerk, residing at No. 233 Prospect street, Indianapolis, was born in Marion county, Ind., at the village of Valley Mills, on June 11, 1861. His parents, Patrick and Julia (Carrigan) Colbert, are natives of Ireland, the father born in Tipperary county, and the mother in the county of Kilkenny. They were married in New Jersey, and at this time reside in the city of Indianapolis, Ind., of which they became residents about the close of the late Civil war.

The family of Patrick and Julia Colbert consists of four sons and two daughters; John; Mary, married to Thomas Rule; Thomas, Dennis J., William and Margaret, the last two unmarried. Thomas is ex-superintendent of the Indianapolis police force; William is claim agent for the Habach Bottling company, and John is a mechanic in Indianapolis. The Colberts are all noted for extraordinary physical vigor, the different members of the family ranging from 190 to 230 pounds in weight, and correspondingly tall and well formed. They are splendid specimens of manhood and womanhood, and morally they all stand high in their respective communities.

Dennis J. Colbert, a brief epitome of whose life is herewith presented, began working, when quite young, in the Indianapolis Rolling mills, and later received a clerical appointment in the post-office of the city, in which capacity he served until entering the railway mail service in August, 1886. The year following, he was

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promoted to a more responsible position with a correspondingly increased salary, and June 13, 1890, was again honored with one of the most important promotions in the gift of the service, which place he has since filled.

Mr. Colbert's first run was between Chicago and Cincinnati, where he spent eight years, and on the twenty-fourth of June, 1895, he was transferred to the run between Cleveland and St. Louis, where he is now employed. His first salary was \$800 per annum, but he now receives the most liberal remuneration paid any one in the service for the duties he performs.

Mr. Colbert was married in Indianapolis May 4, 1887, to Miss Catherine Cecelia Delaney, the ceremony being solemnized by Very Rev. D. O'Donaghue. Mrs. Colbert is a native of New Jersey, but came to Indianapolis with her parents in early youth and grew to womanhood in this city; she is the daughter of William and Maria (Cassin) Delaney, both born in Queen's county, Ireland.

Mr. and Mrs. Colbert have had born to them an interesting family of five children, two sons and three daughters, as follows: Helen, Julia, Marie, Raymond and Francis; the last named died December, 16, 1897. The surviving children, with their parents, belong to St. Patrick's parish. Mr. Colbert is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Y. M. I., being active in the deliberations of both fraternities.

Mrs. Colbert has two brothers and four sisters, viz: Michael, a resident of San Francisco, Cal.; William, who resides in Denver, Colo., Annie, wife of Michael White, of Denver; Alice, wife of Daniel O'Connell, of Indianapolis; Mary also resides in Denver, Colo., and Maggie resides with her parents in this city. The last two are unmarried.

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**D**AVID DENNIS COFFEE.—The ancestors of the gentleman whose brief biographical sketch is herewith presented, were natives of Ireland, and the family history is traceable back through several generations.

His paternal grandparents, Humphrey and Bridget Coffee, left

their ancestral home in the Emerald isle about the year 1823, bringing with them to the United States their children—Daniel, Timothy, Patrick, Humphrey, Bridget and Johanna—and locating at Wilmington, Del. Near that city the elder Humphrey found employment in a powder factory, but by reason of the danger incident to such work he abandoned the same at the end of one year, and engaged with a company operating a stone quarry at Quarryville, not far from the city of Wilmington. In 1826 he removed to Lancaster, Pa., where he was similarly employed for three years, and then moved to Indiana, locating on Buck creek, about ten miles from Indianapolis. Here the family resided until 1837, when they moved to Decatur—Humphrey, the elder, having in the meantime, 1833, died at Buck creek. He was born in 1776 and his wife in the year 1781; she departed this life at Decatur, Ind., in 1855.

A daughter of Humphrey Coffee, Johanna, married Thomas O'Connell, who died at Danville, Ill., in 1837, after which she joined the family at Decatur. Subsequently she married David Fitzgerald, by whom she had eleven children, viz: Joseph, Mrs. Bridget Haefling, Patrick, Humphrey, John, Thomas, William, Ellen (wife of Joseph L. Daly), Julia, Kate and Anna, the last three deceased. By her previous marriage with Mr. O'Connell the mother had two children; John and Daniel O'Connell, the former of whom is living; David Fitzgerald died in 1881, aged eighty-one years; his widow still survives. Of the other children of Humphrey and Bridget Coffee, Humphrey died at the age of thirty, Timothy died at Decatur, Patrick died at Elgin, Ill., and Bridget is a Sister at Notre Dame, Ind., being known as Sister Mary Basil.

The eldest son, Daniel Coffee, father of David Dennis, was born in parish Killarney, county Kerry, Ireland, in 1805, and was eighteen years of age when the family came to the United States. On coming to Adams county, Ind., in 1837, he entered a tract of government land about two miles from Decatur, upon which he passed the remaining years of his life. He was married in Decatur, in 1845, to Margaret Brandaberry, who became the mother of the following children: Humphrey, killed in the Civil war;

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Timothy, a farmer of Adams county; Patrick, deceased; James, deceased; Daniel, deceased; Michael, deceased; Jerry, resides at Decatur; Hannah, wife of George Brown; David D.; Mary, deceased; William, of St. Mary's, Ohio; and Edward, a lawyer at Decatur. The father of these children, a most consistent and devoted member of the Holy Catholic church, died March 3, 1870.

David Dennis Coffee was born on the home place near Decatur, April 20, 1861, and attended in his youth the public schools taught in his neighborhood. He remained on the place until 1883, at which time he went to Aurora, Ill., but returned to Indiana two years later, locating at Decatur, where he has since been engaged in business, being at this time proprietor of one of the leading notion stores of the city. He was married October 16, 1890, to Miss Ann Hesler, Father Wilken solemnizing the union, and has a family of four children: Francis, Claude, Jerome and Mildred. He and family are members of St. Mary's parish. His father, who was one of the pioneer Catholics of Decatur, did much toward establishing the first church in the city.

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**P**ATRICK COLEMAN, a well-known merchant at No. 604 West Maryland street, Indianapolis, was born in county Limerick, Ireland, in 1829, a son of David and Honora (Dwyer) Coleman, natives of the same county.

Patrick Coleman received a fair education in his native county, and in 1849 came with his parents to America, landing in New Orleans in November, from which port he went to Ohio, where he learned the cooper's trade and was for several years engaged in the business in the city of Urbana. About 1871 he came to Indianapolis and for ten years was employed in Kingan's packing-house as inspector of cooperage supplies and at cooperage work, and some five or six years ago engaged in the grocery and saloon business at No. 59 Beacon street, but soon afterward sold out the latter branch of his trade and located at his present place.

Mr. Coleman has been thrice married. His first wife was Miss Johanna Reerdon, whom he married in St. Louis, Mo., and

who died three years after the wedding, the mother of one child. His second marriage was to Miss Mary Costigan, who survived fourteen years, and died in Indianapolis, the mother of six children. His present wife bore the maiden name of Bridget Fallon, was born in Ireland, and was a babe one year old when brought to America by her parents, Andrew and Mary Fallon, natives of county Galway. The father of the present Mrs. Coleman died in Indianapolis and the mother in Louisville, Ky., both devout Catholics. The children of Mr. Coleman, still living, are Fannie and William Andrew; the deceased were John, Annie, Walter, and an infant who died unnamed. The father of Mr. Coleman, who was a farmer, died in Piqua, Ohio, and the mother in Woodstock, same state. One sister of Mr. Coleman, now Mrs. Mary Higby, is still a resident of Urbana.

Mr. Coleman has been a patriotic citizen, and next to his own native land loves America the best. He enlisted, during the Civil war, in the three months' service, to defend the flag of the Union, but was not mustered into the service, the quota having been filled. His brother Michael, however, served in an Ohio regiment throughout the entire war, but his fate is a matter of uncertainty. Mr. and Mrs. Coleman are members of St. John's church, and Mr. Coleman is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. In politics Mr. Coleman is a democrat.

REV. H. F. JOSEPH KROLL, pastor of St. Paul's church, Fort Wayne, Ind., was born in Baltimore, Md., October 4, 1855, a son of Henry and Theressa (Freimuth) Kroll, natives of Germany, the former of whom was by trade a cabinetmaker, but later became a successful merchant.

Rev. Kroll received his preliminary education in St. James parochial school, Baltimore, which he attended until May 1, 1868, and this was supplemented by a two-year course in a Baltimore college, after which he attended St. Vincent's college in Westmoreland county, Pa., for two years, but here his health gave way under his devotedness to his studies, and for awhile he was com-





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pelled to relinquish mental exertion. In September, 1874, however, he was able to resume his studies and entered St. Francis seminary at Milwaukee, Wis., where he completed his classical, philosophical and theological studies, and June 21, 1879, was ordained to the priesthood, by Bishop Dwenger, for the diocese of Fort Wayne, having previously received the minor orders, sub-deaconship and deaconship, from Archbishop Heiss, of Milwaukee, in March, 1879.

After ordination, Father Kroll said his first mass at St. James church, in Baltimore, June 29, 1879, and was then appointed to the pastorate of St. Patrick's, at Chesterton, Porter county, Ind. Here the duties of the reverend father were most onerous, but he nerved himself for the task and successfully overcame every obstacle. He found his congregation incumbered with a debt of \$1,620, with an unfinished church-edifice on its hands, and demoralization and discouragement prevailing throughout the flock. But Father Kroll was equal to the task and succeeded, during his pastorate of nineteen years, in paying off the debt, building a parochial residence, enlarging and completing the church-building, purchasing ground and house for school purposes, furnishing two large school-rooms and Sisters' house, the improvements costing, in all, \$38,000, and leaving a surplus of \$3,000 in the church treasury. During the execution of this immense amount of work, the reverend father also officiated, until 1892, at the missions in Walkerton, St. Joseph county, where he made many improvements and enlarged the church to double its former size; also at Westville, in Laporte county, Suman, Porter county, and Lake Station (where he furnished a depleted mission church and made a number of improvements); Miller and Edgemoor in Lake county, in which county, also, he organized the parish of Whiting, bought the ground on which the present church improvements stand, and, besides all this vast labor, attended to the spiritual welfare of the unfortunate Catholic inmates of the state northern prison at Michigan City. These great services have been appreciated by Father Kroll's superiors, and February 5, 1898, he was appointed pastor of St. Paul's church, Fort Wayne, of which he assumed charge February 23.

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Father Kroll is one of the most able pulpit orators within the fold of the church, is one of the most learned, pious and devoted, and his labors have been excelled by no other clergyman in the faith within so short a period of the priesthood.

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WILLIAM J. COGAN, deceased, was born in county Cork, Ireland, September 15, 1848, a son of Richard and Ellen Cogan, the former of whom died when subject was but three years of age—the latter surviving until 1887. They were the parents of nine children, and of this family the subject and brother, John, were the only boys who came to the United States. The latter died in Kansas at the age of fifty years, and his remains were interred in consecrated ground in St. Louis, Mo.

William J. Cogan, at the age of nineteen years, came to America and for a year lived in Boston, Mass. He then came to Indiana, and at Seymour married Miss Sarah Grant, to which union were born four children, of whom Richard and Edna died in childhood, and Mary Agnes and William Joseph still survive. About 1874 Mr. Cogan came to Vincennes, and here, August 10, 1887, buried his first wife. April 26, 1892, he married Mrs. Lizzie McCarthy, a native of Lexington, Ky., and a daughter of James and Bridget Kehoe, of Irish birth. From Kentucky the Kehoe family removed to Daviess county, Ind., when their daughter, Lizzie, was but two years old, and there Mr. Kehoe died August 27, 1887. Of a family of two sons and six daughters, Lizzie was the eldest, and November 29, 1876, she was married to James B. McCarthy, a dealer in and trainer of fast horses, who died of pneumonia February 24, 1888, the father of five children—Annie, Mary, James, Leah and Helen Claire. Mrs. Lizzie McCarthy then became Mrs. Cogan, at the date already mentioned, and to this marriage were born two children—John Bernard and Helen—all the seven children still making their home with their mother.

William J. Cogan was by calling a railroad engineer, and for twenty-one years was in the employ of the O. & M. (now B. & O.)

railroad company. For some years he ran a freight train between Vincennes and Cincinnati, but later became engineer on a passenger train between Vincennes and St. Louis, and it was while holding the latter position that he met with an untimely end.

The 27th day of May, 1896, will long be remembered by many mourning families as the date of the great St. Louis cyclone, and not the least among these is the family of William J. Cogan. This gentleman was waiting his "turn" in a barber shop in St. Louis when the furious blast struck the building, inflicting the fatal injuries from which Mr. Cogan died eight days later. Mrs. Cogan quickly arrived on the scene, and with wifely devotion attended the injured husband until the sorrowful end. She caused the remains to be brought to Vincennes, to be buried from St. Francis Xavier cathedral, of which congregation the family are all devoted members, and of which Mrs. Cogan is a member of the ladies' Altar society. Mr. Cogan, also a devout Catholic, fortunately held membership in the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, carrying a life insurance which, since his lamented death, has been of considerable benefit to his bereaved family. In connection with her home on Fairground avenue and Elm street, Mrs. Cogan has a small farm of twenty acres, which serves to give employment to those of her sons who are not otherwise engaged. Mrs. Cogan is a highly respected lady, and is rearing her children in the way they should go. With the exception of the first and third of these, they are all attending St. Rose academy, and all have had excellent educational advantages.

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JOHN CONRAD DEWENTER, the fashionable hatter and dealer in gents' furnishing goods, and, in fact, the originator of this line of trade in Logansport, was born in LaFayette, Tippecanoe county, Ind., November 5, 1857, a son of Anthony and Mary (Johening) Dewenter, natives of Germany, who came to America before their marriage.

Anthony Dewenter, father of John Conrad, was born at Rotha, Westphalia, Germany, was the first of the family to come

to America and arrived at Fort Wayne, Ind., in 1850, whence he moved to LaFayette in or about 1852, and soon thereafter sent to Germany for his parents. Caspar Dewenter, grandfather of John C., having brought his family to this country in 1853 in response to this invitation, settled in LaFayette, where he followed his trade of bricklayer and contractor until his death, February 15, 1873, he being a member of St. Boniface church, of which his wife was also a communicant. Her death occurred November 27, 1860.

Anthony Dewenter, father of John C., was a mere boy when he came to the United States, and here learned bricklaying and contracting, erecting many substantial buildings in LaFayette, and acquiring a competency. September 18, 1855, he married Miss Mary Josephine Johening, of LaFayette, but a native of Burholtz, Westphalia, who in 1851 came to America, and this union was blessed with eight children, of whom John C. is the eldest, the remaining seven having been born in the following order: Theresa; Frank, a hatter of Bloomington, Ill., who married Miss Lucy Ryan, of Bloomington, Ill., August 8, 1898; Mary; Herman, of Logansport; William, of LaFayette; Carrie, who died aged three years, and Laura, who died at the age of nineteen years.

The father, Anthony Dewenter, died November 9, 1890, after a short illness, and was buried from St. Boniface church, of which he was a devoted member, and his widow is yet a resident of LaFayette—being a faithful member of St. Boniface church.

John C. Dewenter was educated in St. Boniface parochial school of LaFayette, and at the age of thirteen years began his business life as a clerk in the store of Levering & Co., with whom he remained until coming to Logansport, where, in March, 1882, he established his present business. His store, at No. 303 Fourth street, is the emporium of fashion for hats, caps, furs, gents' furnishing goods, gloves, etc., and is stocked with a complete assortment of every article known to the trade, and although he commenced with the small savings from his salary as a clerk, he has now the finest establishment devoted to this line of trade in Logansport, and is the acknowledged leader in gents' fashions outside of the merchant-tailoring business.

The marriage of Mr. Dewenter took place August 10, 1896.

to Miss Louise Murphy, who was born April 25, 1872, in Cass county, near the city of Logansport, and is a daughter of Augustus and Mary Murphy, well-known residents of the county, and to this union one child, Laura Louise, was born March 4, 1898. The pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Dewenter is at No. 200 Eel River avenue, and their church membership is with St. Joseph's, to the support of which they liberally contribute.

Mr. Dewenter has one-third interest in the Columbia hotel, has been a director in the Logansport State bank ever since its organization, and is vice-president of the Cass County Building & Loan association, of which he was one of the founders. As a business man his name stands without a stain, and in social circles he and his wife are among the most popular of the elite of the city of Logansport.

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VERY REV. JOHN DEMPSEY, pastor of St. Paul's church, at Valparaiso, Porter county, Ind., was born in county Limerick, Ireland, in 1845, was educated in the Jesuit college in the city of Limerick, and at St. John's college in Waterford—at the latter place under the present archbishop of Kingston, Canada, the Most Rev. James Vincent Cleary, D. D. He was ordained priest at Fort Wayne, Ind., July 18, 1873, by Bishop Dwenger, and his first pastorate was in Fulton and Cass counties, Ind.; his second, at Fowler, Benton county; his third, at Lebanon, Boone county; and his fourth, at LaFayette, Tippecanoe county. He was then, in 1887, appointed to his present very important pastorate of St. Paul's, at Valparaiso, with a congregation of 160 families of Irish, German and French nationality, or descent. That his administration here has been of the utmost value is shown by the fact that, when he assumed the pastorate, the church debt was \$42,000, and this he reduced to \$17,000, and is still earnestly engaged in the good work, with a fair prospect for the early extinguishment of the remainder.

Father Dempsey is a most able clergyman and a gentleman of unusual attainments. Generous and self-sacrificing to a fault, the welfare of his large congregation is his constant care and theme of

thought, and he not only ministers to its spiritual welfare, but gives much attention the young, his school being largely attended and being placed in the charge of the Sisters of Providence, but he maintains a careful supervision over the course of study, and well sees to it, that nothing is lacking to add to its constant progress. Eloquent as a preacher, he is also logical and convincing, and his pulpit orations are devoured with avidity by his eager listeners. His piety and humility make him beloved of all, while his profundity of thought and unostentatious erudition equally make him the constant object of admiration.

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**F**RANK DENVER, a prosperous young business man, is a native of Washington, Daviess county, Ind., is a son of James and Esther (Cahill) Denver, and was born May 11, 1867.

James Denver was born in Ireland, and while yet a single man came to America. He was a cooper by trade and lived for some years in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he married Esther Cahill, and in 1865 came to Indiana, settled in Daviess county, and here passed the remainder of his life, dying in the faith of the Catholic church in 1870 and leaving four children, viz: William, of St. Joseph, Mo.; Rose, wife of H. McKernan; Jennie, wife of J. W. McCarty, and Frank, the subject of this biography.

Frank Denver received a good education in his parochial school, attending until seventeen years of age, and then served an apprenticeship of four years in a machine shop and foundry, or until 1889. He then worked in machine shops in St. Louis, Mo., about eighteen months, returning to Washington, Ind., in 1891, and here started a machine shop and foundry, on a small scale, on his own account. In 1896, his brother-in-law, Hugh McKernan, formed a partnership, erected a planing-mill and a sash, door and blind factory, and established a lumber-yard, and these, in conjunction with the machine shop and foundry, now constitute one of the most important industries of the city. In the foundry, a specialty is made of architectural iron castings, but job work of all kinds receives careful attention.



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Mr. Denver is a democrat in politics and is earnest in his support of that party. A true Catholic of St. Simon's parish, he is liberal in his contributions to the church, and he is also a member of the Young Men's institute.

REV. JOSEPH DICKMANN, pastor of St. Mary's church, Evansville, was born in Franklin county, Ind., December 26, 1849, son of Frederick and Elizabeth Dickmann.

Frederick Dickmann was a native of Germany, born July 25, 1809, in the kingdom of Hanover, and when twenty years of age came to the United States, locating in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he resided until his removal, in 1845, to the town of Oldenburg, Franklin county, Ind. He was married in Trinity church, Cincinnati, October 20, 1830, to Elizabeth Fisher, daughter of Christopher and Mary A. (Geise) Fisher, and reared a family of ten children, of whom the following are living: Sister Petrina, of Indianapolis; John; Sister Melania, O. S. F.; Joseph, Clements, Louis; the other members of the family are deceased. Frederick Dickmann was engaged in the manufacture of lumber at Oldenburg, Ind., a number of years previous to his death, which occurred in the year 1881; his wife survived him until 1895, in July of which year she was called from the scene of her earthly labors; they were devoted Christians and members of Holy Family parish, Franklin county.

Rev. Joseph Dickmann received his primary education in the parochial schools of Oldenburg, which he attended until his fourteenth year, and then entered St. Meinrad's Benedictine abbey, where he pursued his studies from September, 1863, until 1868, in June of which year he became a student at Bardstown, Ky., where he remained one year. Returning to St. Meinrad's, he completed his course and was there ordained priest September 21, 1872, by Bishop Maurice de St. Palais, and immediately thereafter entered upon the active work of the ministry at St. Joseph's Hill, Clark county, where he continued from May 29, 1873, until January 31, 1892, at which time he was transferred to St. Mary's parish, Evans-

ville, his present field of labor. The parish to which Father Dickmann ministers is a large one, consisting of 375 families, and he is assisted in his work by Rev. Andrew Schaaf—also by Prof. Steinhauer, who has charge of the parochial school, which at this time has an average attendance of 250 pupils; there are three departments of this school, one being taught by the Sisters of St. Francis of Oldenburg.

Father Dickmann's work in Evansville has been productive of much good, and since taking charge of St. Mary's, the parish has greatly increased, numerically and spiritually. He is recognized as an able and scholarly divine, and no sacrifice is too great, nor any labor too arduous, for him to perform in behalf of his people, all of whom repose the utmost confidence in him as their spiritual leader.

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REV. HENRY MEISSNER, pastor of St. Charles Borromeo church, at Peru, Ind., was born in Muenster, Westphalia, Germany, December 3, 1842. When but two months old he lost his father, and when sixteen years of age he was deprived by death of his mother. From 1853 until 1859 he resided in the rural districts of Westphalia, passing the last year under private instruction in preparation for entering the government college at Muenster. From this college he passed, in 1864, to the Muenster university, where he passed a year in the study of philosophy and theology, and then came to the United States, arriving here November 6, 1866. He at once entered the theological seminary at Baltimore, conducted by the Sulpitian order, and June 30, 1868, was ordained priest. His first celebration of mass was held on the 5th day of July, following, in York, Pa., and his first appointment was as assistant pastor at Avilla, Noble county, Ind. September 13, 1868, he was given charge of the Goshen congregation, in Elkhart county, Ind., where he officiated about two years, afterward served at Crown Point, Lake county, Ind., five years, and September 13, 1875, assumed the duties of his present charge at Peru, where his extraordinary energy and tact have been the



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means of building up the church and congregation to their present high standard.

One of the greatest achievements of Father Meissner in this connection was his success in liquidating the entire debt of the congregation, which amounted to \$16,350, with \$5,000 accumulated interest, and the announcement of these glad tidings was made December 23, 1886—a grand thanksgiving jubilee being held on New Year's day following. January 14, 1887, Father Meissner, in recognition of his valuable services, was appointed by Bishop Dwenger immovable rector of St. Charles, so that now the congregation is assured of his beloved presence until the close of his earthly career.

One of the most pleasing incidents of Father Meissner's pastorate occurred in May, 1884, when he made a tour of England, Ireland, France, Germany, Holland and Italy. While in Rome he had an unusually long interview with His Holiness Pope Leo XIII., who sent his apostolic benediction to the congregation of St. Charles Borromeo, which Father Meissner gave shortly after his return. He also brought home with him many relics, and among those now in his possession, belonging to himself or the church, are a fragment of the holy cross, the garment of St. Charles Borromeo, the blood of St. Thomas and St. Andrew, the Blessed Virgin's girdle and a fragment from her sepulcher, and relics of St. Stephen, the holy table, St. Rose of Lima, St. Henry, St. Francis of Assissa, St. Philip Neri, St. Ann's vail, relics of St. Bartholomew, and many others.

Words are powerless to give an adequate idea of the commendable work done in Peru by Father Meissner, and the reader is left to his own inferences, to be drawn from a perusal of the history of the church, by which a contrast may be made between the past and the present, and the part Father Meissner has taken therein.

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ENGELBERT DILGER, one of the proprietors of the Ferdinand (Dubois county) saw-mill, is a son of Lawrence and Catherine (Sherchzinger) Dilger, parents of a family of eight chil-

dren. He was born June 24, 1851, was reared and educated in Dubois county, Ind., and at the age of twenty-one learned the carpenter trade, at which he worked for ten years, and then formed a co-partnership with J. H. Beckman in his present business, handling all the lumber in and about Ferdinand.

Mr. Dilger was married to Miss Lizzie Miller, a daughter of Anton Miller, of Spencer county; they have nine children: Martin, who is a mechanic; Augusta; Agatha, who is studying for a nun at Ferdinand; Joseph, John, Katie, Carrie, Mary, and Tillie, all members of the Catholic church, under Father John. In politics Mr. Dilger is a democrat.

Mr. Dilger is now doing the largest lumber business transacted in Dubois county, and has risen to his present eminence in trade entirely through his own efforts, and his natural business tact. Socially his standing is very high, and he and family enjoy the esteem of a large circle of friends, within and without the pale of the church.

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REV. RUDOLPH J. DENK, pastor of St. Aloysius' church at Sheldon, Allen county, Ind., is a son of Francis and Mary (Newmeier) Denk, of Germany, where the father died in 1883 and where the mother still lives.

Rev. Rudolph J. Denk was born in Germany March 10, 1866; studied in preparation for the priesthood six years at Landshut and four years at St. Vincent, Pa.; then three years in Cincinnati, at St. Mary's, where he took his theological course and was ordained June 14, 1891, under Archbishop William Henry Elder, of Cincinnati. He was located in Fulton county, Ind., for three months; Auburn, Ind., for eight months, and was at St. Mary's church, of Fort Wayne, from 1892 to 1896 as assistant. He was assigned to Sheldon July 23, 1896, and has fifty families in his church, a school and three Sisters of St. Agnes as teachers, with eighty pupils in attendance. Although his pastorate at Sheldon has, up to this date, been comparatively brief, he has by his zeal and piety won the love and respect of his flock and has performed a vast amount of good and useful work, both spiritually and temporally.

**PATRICK DILLON**, ex-postmaster at Haughville, was born in Lockport, Niagara county, N. Y., February 15, 1853, and is a son of John and Honora (Cordon) Dillon. These parents were natives of Ireland, but came to America in their youth and were married in the town of Starksboro, Vt. They died in Delphi, Ind., the mother when about thirty years of age and the father at forty-eight years.

John Dillon was twice married. By his first wife, above mentioned, he had seven children, the subject of this sketch being third in order of birth; but two of these are living at this time, Patrick and John, the latter a molder in the Malleable Iron works at Haughville. Johanna was the wife of William Corcoran and departed this life at Delphi, Ind.; Bridget died in her youth; Thomas died when less than a year old; James was burned to death at the age of fifteen; and Andrew was shot and killed in Haughville. John Dillon married, for his second wife, Kate Carey, by whom he had three children.

Patrick Dillon, the immediate subject of this sketch, learned the molder's trade in his youth, and has always worked at the same in Indianapolis. For twelve years he was employed as foreman of the National Malleable Castings company, of Haughville, and at this time is with the Indianapolis Foundry company, holding his present place since 1895. On the 20th of November, 1893, he was appointed postmaster at Haughville and served until August 1, 1897; his daughter, Miss Katie, was his efficient assistant.

Mr. Dillon was married to Margaret Corcoran, of Terre Haute, Ind., daughter of Roger and Nora Corcoran. Mrs. Dillon was educated in the parochial schools of Delphi and is a lady of many noble qualities of mind and heart; she is the mother of four children, viz: Mary Catherine, Margaret Ellen, Harry Edward and Agnes Goodlet.

Mr. Dillon was an active worker in the establishment of St. Anthony's parish and has served as member of the board of trustees from the beginning. He was one of the committee appointed to purchase grounds for the building and contributed liberally of his means towards the erection of the present beautiful temple of worship at Haughville. He is a member of the present board of trus-

tees and a leading spirit of the parish. In politics Mr. Dillon is an earnest supporter of the democratic party, and fraternally, belongs to the Pythian order.

RIGHT REV. FINTAN MUNDWILER, O. S. B., late abbot of St. Meinrad's Benedictine abbey, Spencer county, Ind., and whose name was carried beyond the walls of his holy institution far out into the world as that of a saintly and self-sacrificing superior, was born July 12, 1835, at Dietiken, a small town of Switzerland. His parents, Jacob and Anna Marie (Seiler) Mundwiler, were zealous Catholics, and were desirous of having their son reared in an atmosphere of sanctity and learning. For this purpose they intrusted him, at the age of fourteen years, to the care of the world-famed Benedictine abbey of Einsiedeln, and upon the completion of his classical course he entered the Novitiate of Einsiedeln, where, October 14, 1855, he made his solemn profession. September 11, 1859, he was ordained priest by Bishop Arnota, and a year later Abbot Henry sent him, in company with Rev. Father Martin Maby, O. S. B. (the late bishop of St. Cloud), to the American missions. He was at once appointed, after arrival, as prefect at St. Meinrad's college, but was later sent to Terre Haute, where he established the congregation of St. Benedict and built its first church. Many of the older citizens of Terre Haute remember the beautiful traits of character evinced by the then young priest, and how his kindness and zeal secured the love and admiration of all classes.

On the recall of Father Mundwiler to St. Meinrad, he was placed in charge of the missions in Spencer, Perry and Dubois counties, Ind., and later was appointed professor of dogmatic theology in the seminary. In 1869, when the monastery was raised to the dignity of an abbey, by Pius IX, Father Mundwiler was appointed prior, master of novices, and professor of the seminary, and the duties of each position he performed with noteworthy skill.

In February, 1880, Abbot Marty was consecrated bishop of





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the diocese of Sioux Falls, and two days later Prior Mundwiler was elected abbot of St. Meinrad. His career during the eighteen years of his incumbency of this high office is marked with events that will make his name memorable in the annals of the diocese of Vincennes and in the history of the Catholic church in America. It was during his administration that the large stone college-building was erected, and the stone crypt in 1887. He also effected the erection of the Helvetio-American congregation of Benedictines, and was chosen its first treasurer; the monastery at Spieler-ville, Ark. (now New Subjaco abbey); the priory of St. Joseph's, in Louisiana, and the priory of St. Gall, in North Dakota.

September 2, 1887, occurred the great fire which destroyed entirely the abbey of St. Meinrad, with its annexes; but with unwonted and wonderful energy, Rev. Abbot Mundwiler rebuilt the abbey within two years, and also began the construction of Jasper college for secular students—the chapel, library, novitiates' annexes, the spacious printing office and book bindery, shops, infirmary and bath-rooms—all being completed and ready for occupancy as early as 1896.

The zeal of the reverend abbot for the Holy Church was also manifested in other ways. He took active interest in the Benedictine college at Rome (St. Anselms), and materially aided that institution of learning. To him, also, is attributed the blessing which St. Meinrad's enjoys in possessing the central direction of the flourishing American Priests' Eucharistic League. But the greatest of all blessings enjoyed by St. Meinrad during the lifetime of Abbot Fintan Mundwiler was the example he set as a christian, religious priest, prelate and superior. His devotion to the Blessed Eucharist was remarkable. It is known that he knelt for hours before the blessed crucifix, and during the years of his illness, even when he could scarcely walk or kneel, he paid lengthy visits to the Holy Eucharist (or pyx). Such was his devotion to Christ, that, when his fatal illness set in, he undertook a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in 1893. The final dissolution took place at 6 P. M., February 16, 1898, in the presence of the Right Rev. Bishop Chatard, and the priests and brothers of the abbey. The Right Rev. Bishop Rademacher, of Fort Wayne, celebrated the

pontifical requiem over the mortal remains of the departed priest—but the immortal part had gone to that heavenly abode where requiems are never read nor sung.

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**H**ENRY C. DIPPEL, a well-known Catholic citizen of Indianapolis, resides with his family at No. 832 Broadway. He is a native of Indianapolis, but not a son of Catholic parents. His education was obtained in the public schools of this city, and he became a Catholic through the influence and instrumentality of the Rev. Father Schott, assisted by the Rev. Father Scheideler, becoming a member of St. Mary's church. Mrs. Dippel was formerly Miss Tillie Crone, was born in Indianapolis November 5, 1866, and is a daughter of Jacob and Mary Crone of Indianapolis. She was married to Mr. Dippel at St. Mary's church in 1888, Rev. Father Scheideler officiating, and to this marriage there have been born three daughters, viz: Stella Ruth, Helen Mary, and Florence Margaret. Their eldest child, William Clarence, died when fifteen months of age.

Mr. and Mrs. Dippel were formerly members of St. Mary's parish, but since 1891 they have resided within the limits of St. Joseph's parish, and they are both members of the excellent choir of St. Joseph's church. Both are among the best people in their parish, and are by all people, without respect of religious belief, highly esteemed and respected.

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**F**RANK DITTMER, the well-known dealer in wall paper and decorative materials at Huntingburg, Dubois county, Ind., is a son of Michael and Frederick (Hoevner) Dittmer, of whom the father died July 13, 1896.

Frank Dittmer was born in Dubois county, May 15, 1862, and was reared in Huntingburg; he attended the common schools, and at the age of twenty-one years engaged in the blacksmith business. He then learned painting and went into business in 1882 for him-

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self. He was married to Miss Mary Birk, a daughter of P. Birk, May 15, 1882, and the result of this happy union has been five children, viz: Hattie E. (who was confirmed at the age of twelve years by Bishop Chatard), Rosa K., Emma M., Anna E. and Michael C. Both parents and children belong to St. Mary's church, and Mr. and Mrs. Dittmer are very liberal in their contributions toward its support—both having been confirmed in the faith by Bishop de St. Palais. Mr. Dittmer is a democrat, and cast his first presidential vote for Grover Cleveland. Fraternally, he is a Catholic Knight, also grand president of the Y. M. I.

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**A**LBERT J. DITTOE, the well-known grocer of Fort Wayne, was born in Perry county, Ohio, August 23, 1845. His parents were Jacob A. and Catherine (Cluny) Dittoe, the former of whom was born in Perry county, was a farmer, and died February 18, 1895, at Lancaster, Ohio.

Albert J. Dittoe had his home upon the farm of his parents until he was twenty-three years of age, receiving his education in the common schools, and in St. Joseph's college in his native county, which he attended two years, and also at the college in Sinsinawa, Wis. At eighteen years of age he accepted a position as teacher in St. Thomas' Catholic school in Zanesville, Ohio, for one term, and during the winter which followed he taught in Perry county. In the spring of 1869 he came to Fort Wayne, where he has since been an active and prominent citizen. For two years he held deputyship in the offices of the county recorder and the clerk of the circuit court, and was for four years employed as bookkeeper and cashier of the wholesale hardware firm of A. D. Brandriff & Co. In the season of 1873-4 he was engaged in the ice business with his father-in-law, the late Peter Moran, afterward becoming a clerk in a grocery store; he held this position until July, 1882, when he purchased the store, which he has since conducted with marked success. It is recognized as one of the leading establishments of the kind in the city and is popularly known as the Boston Tea store.

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Mr. Dittoe was married January 25, 1870, by the Rev. Father Benoit, in Fort Wayne, to Margaret G. Moran, and they have had nine children; Mamie C., Charles W., Loretta A., Vincent A., Anna G., Peter A., Margaret May, Alice G. and Bernadotte, all of whom are living save Anna G., who died in childhood. Mr. and Mrs. Dittoe and children are members of the cathedral congregation, and Mr. Dittoe is a member of the Catholic Knights of America, branch No. 103, and the family are among the most respected residents of the city of Fort Wayne.

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REV. JOHN R. QUINLAN, the honored pastor of St. Mary's church at Huntington, Ind., was born in Valparaiso, Porter county, this state, April 19, 1856, and is a son of Michael and Hannah (Shanahan) Quinlan, natives of the borough of Mallow, county Cork, Ireland, but who came to the United States in 1850, and were married in Valparaiso, Ind., where the mother died in 1858, and the father now lives in Kansas. They were the parents of two children, of whom one is deceased.

Rev. John R. Quinlan, having at the early age of two years lost his mother, was cared for by an aunt, Mrs. Timothy McAuliffe, until about 1865, when the father returned from the Civil war, in which he had served four years, and married again, after which young John R. resided with his father two years, and then returned to the home of his aunt. He received his primary education in the common schools at Valparaiso, and in the parochial school under Rev. Father O'Reilley, and through whom he received his first communion. In September, 1881, he entered St. Francis seminary at Milwaukee, Wis., and June 22, 1890, was ordained priest by the Right Rev. Henry Joseph Richter, bishop of the diocese of Grand Rapids. He read his first mass in Valparaiso, Ind., June 29, 1890. He then went to Fort Wayne, where, July 4, of the same year, he was appointed by Bishop Dwenger an assistant at the cathedral, and officiated until October 3, 1897. On the 22d of April, 1896, however, he had been placed in charge of the temporal affairs of St. Mary's parish, at Huntington, the church-edifice





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being then in the course of construction, and at its dedication, Sunday, October 3, 1897, assumed his duties as pastor.

Father Quinlan is of broad culture, bright intellect, and quick perception, and is courteous, sociable and kindly in demeanor, is sincerely beloved by his flock, and stands high in the esteem of the general public.

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**F**RANK DOERSCHUK, proprietor of one of the largest blacksmith and repair shops of Terre Haute and a musician of more than local repute, was born in New Philadelphia, Tuscarawas county, Ohio, April 22, 1854, son of Jacob and Christina Doerschuk.

Jacob Doerschuk was born in October, 1815, in Rockenhausen, kingdom of Bavaria, Germany, and came to the United States in the year 1837. He married, July 7, 1839, Christina Rinner, who was also a native of Bavaria, where her birth occurred in 1816. Mrs. Doerschuk's father was born in Germany, April 3, 1788, and departed this life at New Philadelphia, Ohio, October, 1882. In 1808 he entered the army of the first Napoleon at a time when all Europe was trembling before the movements of that Son of Destiny, served in the Fourth hussars in Spain, and participated in many of the bloody battles of that historic period. After the return of Bonaparte from the ill-fated Russian campaign, his regiment was recalled and he discharged. The father of the subject died at New Philadelphia, July 29, 1886; the mother still survives.

Frank Doerschuk is the seventh of a family of six sons and two daughters, all of whom are living. He was reared in the town of his birth, where he received a practical education, and, at the age of seventeen, began learning the blacksmith trade, at which he served an apprenticeship under Samuel Rufer, at New Philadelphia, and with whom he remained eight years, from 1870 to 1878. In the latter year he came to Indiana for the purpose of visiting a brother at Coal City, and while there, decided to remain in the Hoosier state. He located the following year in Terre Haute, where he worked at his trade until 1881, when he accepted a position in the car works, a position he filled for some time with credit

to himself and satisfaction to the firm by which he was employed. Mr. Doerschuk comes of a family of musicians, he himself and four brothers having distinguished themselves in the realm of harmony. Shortly after locating in Terre Haute, he became a member of the famous Ringgold band as player of the clarinet, and, in 1881, he quit his trade and gave his attention solely to music, playing in the orchestra of Shewmaker's theater until the spring of the year following. In 1882 he joined the band with the John Robinson circus, and, during that year, traveled extensively throughout various parts of the United States. Returning to Terre Haute at the end of his tour, Mr. Doerschuk again played with Ringgold's band, with which he remained until the spring of 1885, when he resumed his trade, which he has since followed, devoting only his leisure to music. He has a large and well-regulated shop, supplied with all the modern appliances of his trade, on East Main street, and his business is all that he can reasonably desire.

Mr. Doerschuk was married April 12, 1883, to Mary Allwell, who was born September 26, 1860, in Charleston, Ill., daughter of Thomas and Mary (Landergan) Allwell, natives respectively of counties Westmeath and Tipperary, Ireland. Thomas Allwell served in the late Rebellion as a member of the One Hundred and Twenty-third Illinois infantry, and died in the year 1896; his widow is still living in Charleston, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. Doerschuk have one child, a daughter, Mary Estella, whose birth occurred December 12, 1888. The family are all members of St. Patrick's parish, Terre Haute—Mr. Doerschuk being one of the musicians of the church; he belongs to the Y. M. I. and the St. Benedict Franciscan society, and Mrs. Doerschuk is a member of the Altar society of St. Patrick's.

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EDWARD DOBER, a trustee of the St. Lawrence church, a custom tailor and dealer in gents' furnishings, at Lawrenceburg, Dearborn county, Ind., is a son Joseph and Henricia (Woeber) Dober, who were born in Baden, Germany, and died in that country.

Edward Dober was born on July 2, 1851, in Germany, and

came to America in 1872, locating at Lawrenceburg immediately upon his arrival in the states. He learned the tailor's trade in Germany, but worked at it only a few years. Upon his arrival here, he entered the employ of Cook & Klapper for a short time, formed a partnership later on, and this continued for two years. On account of bad health he returned to Europe and remained there a few months, but, before going, sold out to Mr. Klapper. Upon his return to Lawrenceburg he worked for Mr. Klapper for a short time, and in 1882 engaged in his present business, carrying a stock of \$6,000.

Mr. Dober was first united in marriage, in 1875, to Miss Kate Gardner, of Lawrenceburg, a daughter of Anthony Gardner, and to this union was born one child, Ida. He was next married, in April, 1881, to Josephine Morgan, of Lawrenceburg. To this union have been born eight children, as follows: Fred J., Edward P., Henricia, Josephine, Mary, Frank, Bontonia, and Agnes. The family are all devout Catholics and belong to the church of which the father is a trustee, and socially move in the best circles of Lawrenceburg.

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**F**REDERICK A. DOLL, who has sole charge of the union freight depot at Shelbyville, Ind., was born in Batesville, Ripley county, this state, September 19, 1867, and is a son of Joseph and Magdalena (Kipper) Doll, natives, respectively, of Pennsylvania and Bavaria. On locating in Batesville, Joseph Doll engaged in bridge building, and is now superintendent of bridges for the Big Four road between Cincinnati, Ohio, and Indianapolis, Ind., and still makes his home in Batesville, of which place he and family are members of St. Ludwig's church.

Frederick A. Doll attended the parochial schools of Batesville until thirteen years of age, and from that age until eighteen was a pupil in the public school. He then learned telegraphy, and until 1891 manipulated the ticker at Shelbyville, and was then appointed passenger agent, which position he ably filled until 1892, when he was placed in full charge of the freight depot, with a corps of assistants. Mr. Doll is a devout Catholic, and is a member of St.

Gabriel's congregation, which he aids with his means in no unstinted manner when the parish is in want of funds. In politics Mr. Doll is a genuine democrat, and in his social relations he enjoys a most enviable standing.

THOMAS DONAHUE, station agent for the B. & O. S. W. R. R., at Washington, Daviess county, Ind., and an expert telegrapher, is a son of Paul and Maria (Kearney) Donahue, and was born in Altoona, Pa., December 22, 1853.

Paul Donahue, a native of county Kings, Ireland, came to America in 1848, married Maria Kearney, a native of county Queens, Ireland, and to this marriage were born six children, viz: Thomas, our subject; Martin, train dispatcher at Edgerly, Calcasieu parish, La.; Patrick, of Fort Wayne, Ind.; Catherine, a public school-teacher, of Mitchell, Ind.; Joseph, train dispatcher, of Washington, and Edward, of Mitchell. Paul Donahue found his first employment, in a regular way, on coming to America, in Pittsburg, Pa., as a railroad section foreman, and was transferred from point to point along the line until 1855, when he came to Indiana and settled in Mitchell, Lawrence county, where he continued in railroad work until his death, in July, 1891, in the faith to which he was reared and in which he conscientiously lived — that of the Catholic church.

Thomas Donahue, our subject, attended the public schools of Mitchell, Ind., until eighteen years of age, when he began his business life as a section hand on the O. & M. railroad; next he entered the station as a student of telegraphy, and a year later became night operator, which position he filled three months, and was then transferred to Milan, Ind.; nineteen months later he was sent to Vincennes, Ind., where he remained four years, and was then stationed at Aurora, Ind., for a year and a half; he was then appointed agent for the company at Medora, Ind., and remained there seven years, at which time he resigned and went to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he was engaged in telegraphy two years. Finally, on April 10, 1890, he settled in Washington, Ind., where

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he has since filled, in a most satisfactory manner, the position of agent for his company.

Mr. Donahue was married, in Mitchell, Ind., October 6, 1879, to Miss Mary Jane Keane, a native of Cincinnati, and this union has been blessed with four children—Thomas, Helen, Lena and William. The family belong to the Catholic parish of St. Simon, and socially occupy a high position, owning a very pleasant home on Poplar street, where their numerous friends always receive a warm welcome. In politics, Mr. Donahue is a stanch democrat.

**M**ICHAEL M. DOOLEY, M. D., of Loogootee, Ind., was born in St. Johns, Newfoundland, August 9, 1857, a son of Matthew and Bridget (Moriarty) Dooley, who were natives of the same province and of Irish parentage. The father is now a resident of Nova Scotia, where the mother died some years ago, they having had born to them twelve children, of whom the doctor is the eldest.

The family moved to Nova Scotia about 1867, and the father bought a small piece of land in Antigonish, where our subject worked in a woolen mill during the summer season, and attended school in the winter three months, all told. At the age of sixteen years he was apprenticed to a carpenter for three years, receiving \$40 during that period, but was considered by his employer to be the best mechanic in the shop. He then returned to Newfoundland, began work as a journeyman, but soon became foreman for the most extensive carpentering firm in St. John's.

In 1878 Mr. Dooley came to the United States and for several years worked as a railroad bridge carpenter in the state of New York, but later the company sent him to Michigan as foreman of bridge construction, he being an adept at this class of work, and after superintending the building of several bridges in Michigan and Ohio and all the eastern states for his employers, he was engaged by Baird Bros., of Pittsburg, Pa., sub-contractors for the Keystone Bridge company, and served this firm six years as foreman. Among the many large bridges over which he had the supervision of con-

struction was that at Havre de Grace, Md., which spans the Susquehanna river, which at that point is a mile wide. This was a very creditable piece of work but a very onerous one, and about this time Mr. Dooley's health failed, and while recuperating his physician advised him to relinquish mechanical pursuits and undertake the study of medicine. Mr. Dooley, having by this time accumulated considerable money, concluded to follow his physician's advice and went through a course of preparation, studying night and day for three years, and then, in 1885, entered the Kentucky school of Medicine at Louisville, from which he graduated in 1886. For one year he practiced in Greene county, Ind., and in 1887 came to Loogootee, where he has ever since enjoyed a lucrative practice.

Dr. Dooley was most happily married, in February, 1889, to Miss Anna Wathon, of Montgomery, Ind., and a daughter of Raphael and Mary (Cavanaugh) Wathon, and this union has been blessed with four children—May, Bernadotte, Agnes and Jenne. The doctor is a member of the Martin county Medical society, and of the board of United States pension examiners. Although he takes no especial interest in politics, he is very popular with the citizens of Loogootee, who have elected him a member of the town council. The doctor is the owner of a pleasant residence, and socially he and wife are held in deservedly high esteem.

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JOHN DOMMERSHAUSEN, a prominent member of St. Benedict parish, Terre Haute, and a well-known business man of the city, is a native of the province of Hesse Nassau, Germany, born in Prath on the 5th day of September, 1848. His parents were Philip and Annie Eva (Thomas) Dommershausen, both natives of the above province, where they passed their lives and where they both lie buried in the old ancestral cemetery.

John Dommershausen was educated in the old country and there learned the trade of bricklaying, which he followed in his native province until 1868, in March of which year he came to the United States, locating, a short time thereafter, in Terre Haute,



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Ind., which, with the exception of ten years, has since been his place of residence. He followed his chosen calling in this city quite successfully until 1883, when he embarked in merchandizing as a grocer, erecting a business house on the corner of Fifteenth street and Liberty avenue, which was replaced five years later by his present commodious brick structure, in which he carries on a lucrative trade with a constantly increasing patronage.

Amid the many demands upon his time by his business and other secular pursuits, Mr. Dommershausen has ever been mindful of the higher claims of religion, and surely the church in Terre Haute has no more consistent and faithful son than he. Since 1883 he has been a member of St. Benedict parish, being at this time a trustee of the same, also a member of the building committee having in charge the new house of worship now in process of construction, and he is, beside, an active worker in the society of St. Francis.

**W**ILLIAM DOWNES, SR., proprietor of a first-class plumbing and gas-fitting establishment at South Bend, Ind., was born in the parish of Dunbeg, county Clare, Ireland, September 15, 1850, a son of Michael and Ellen (Quirk) Downes.

Michael Downes, also a native of Dunbeg parish, was born in 1807, received a good parochial school education, and was a farmer all his life. He was married in his native parish, in 1830, by Father O'Brien, and there were born to him eight children, in the following order: Simon, who died in Ireland; Michael, living in California; Mary, wife of Patirck Gorman, and Maggie, wife of John Gorman, both in county Clare, Ireland; Bridget, wife of John Downes, of Chicago, Ill.; Anna, wife of John McInery, of county Clare; John, in the same county, and William, whose name opens this biography.

William Downes, Sr., attended the parochial school of his native parish until his fifteenth year, when he came to the United States, landing in New York, in July, 1865, where he learned plumbing, and then went to Chicago, Ill., where he lived about ten years. From Chicago he came to South Bend, Ind., in 1877,

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and here secured employment with Stevenson & Sons, with whom he remained three years, and then engaged in business on his own account, having now one of the best-equipped plumbing establishments in the county and doing an excellent trade.

Mr. Downes was first married in Chicago, at the Jesuit church, in October, 1872, to Miss Maggie Cain, the union resulting in the birth of three children—William, Charles and Fannie. Mrs. Downes was called away in March, 1878, dying in the Catholic faith at South Bend, where her remains lie interred in Calvary cemetery. In October, 1882, at St. Patrick's church in South Bend, Mr. Downes was united in wedlock with Miss Anna Morley, Father Hogerty officiating, and this union has also been blessed with three children, viz: May, Maggie and Joseph. The family are all devoted members of St. Patrick's congregation, Mr. Downes and wife being prominent in all work for good in which it is possible for lay members to take a part, and being very liberal in their contributions toward the general support of the church. Their social standing is of a very pleasant nature and their friends are warm and numerous.

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REV. MICHAEL HECK, in charge of the St. Wendel parish, is one of six children born to Nicholas and Magdalene (Brausch) Heck, natives of Prussia, who came to the United States in December, 1851, and first located near Madison, Ind., where the father bought land and followed agricultural pursuits until 1869, after which he made his home with his son, Michael, leading a retired life until his death, which occurred March 17, 1890, at St. Wendel. The mother died March 31, 1865.

Michael Heck was born in Prussia in 1838, and in his boyhood days attended the Prussian public schools. On coming to America with his parents, he began to study for the priesthood in the year 1858, at Madison, Ind., also at private schools, which he attended for two years; he then entered St. Thomas' seminary at Bardstown, Ky., and later entered St. Meinrad seminary, Ind., where he completed his classical and theological studies, and was ordained to the priesthood September 22, 1868, said his first mass at Madi-



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son, Ind., and immediately thereafter was placed in charge of the Enochsburg, Ind., parish. He was also pastor, later, at St. John the Evangelist's for ten years and a half, and was then placed in charge of his present parish. It is needless to say that the Rev. Heck has improved financially and otherwise the welfare of his present flock, its wonderful increase to 170 families speaking for itself.

**J**OHNS DOSCH, the popular real-estate dealer of Washington, Daviess county, Ind., was born in Dubois county, Ind., February 20, 1859, a son of Antony and Maria (Dudine) Dosch, natives of Germany, who came to the United States when young, and married in New Orleans January 25, 1847, where they lived for a short time afterward, when they removed to Louisville, Ky., where the father was engaged in gardening a few years, when they came to Indiana and bought a farm in Dubois county, where they have since resided. Their ten children were born in the following order: William, Andrew M., Elizabeth, Mary, Josephine, John (subject), Louise, Flora, Edward C. (deceased), and Clara. The family are members of St. Mary's Catholic congregation, and in politics the male members are democrats.

John Dosch, the subject of this biography, lived on his father's farm until seventeen years old, attending a common-school in the meantime; then attended the parochial school one year under Father J. P. Sassel, and the public-school of Washington about another year, or until nineteen years old, when he apprenticed himself to E. R. Eskridge, harness and saddlemaker, with whom he remained three years, and then engaged in engineering for the Cable Coal company at Washington, with which he served twelve years, when he was nominated by the democratic party, in the fall of 1890, for county recorder, was elected by twenty-five majority, being the only democrat elected on the county ticket, and served four years; in 1894, however, he was defeated, although his party had full confidence in him and gave him the entire strength of its vote. May 1, 1895, he joined William H. Sanford in the real-estate, loan and insurance business, which has since

claimed his attention. In April, 1896, Mr. Dosch was put forward by his party as its nominee for county treasurer, but the party formed a fusion with the populists, and he gave up the nomination to the populist candidate, who was elected.

Mr. Dosch was married, in Washington, Ind., October 28, 1886, to Miss Charlotte F. Faust, who was born in the city November 30, 1862, a daughter of Wendeline and Frances (Kegler) Faust, and this union has been blessed with six children, viz: Francis M., Charlotte and Laura (twins), Marie, John C. and Alma M. Mr. Dosch has been a trustee of St. Mary's congregation since 1892, and is also a member of the Young Men's institute, a Catholic fraternal association, organized in San Francisco, Cal., March 4, 1883; Mrs. Dosch is a member of the Altar society of her church, and both are devoted adherents to the Catholic faith. Mr. Dosch owns a fine farm in Washington township and three residences in the city; is agent and treasurer of the German-American Building & Loan association of Indianapolis at Washington, and has filled this position since January, 1895. He is affable in his deportment and in every respect is a capital business man, and well deserves the high esteem in which he is held, both as a gentleman and citizen.

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**W**ILLIAM DOWNEY, one of the best-known residents of St. Patrick's parish, Daviess county, was born on a farm near Alfordsville, Ind., April 3, 1847, the seventh of a family of eight children (seven sons and one daughter) born to Thomas and Bridget (McAvey) Downey, of which children two only—James and William—are now living.

Thomas Downey, a native of county Queens, Ireland, was born about 1801, was reared a farmer, and there married Miss McAvey, who was born in county Kings in 1803. In 1830 Mr. Downey and wife sailed from Dublin for New York, and from the latter city went to Lancaster, Pa., where Mr. Downey for a short time was employed on public works; they next removed to Louisville, Ky., and then to Madison, Ind., where Mr. Downey was for

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some time foreman of a railroad section force, and in 1845 came to Daviess county, where he purchased a partially improved tract of 120 acres of land, which he farmed for twelve years and then sold. He then made a brief visit to Iowa, but returned to Daviess county and purchased a farm of 160 acres in Reeve township, about 1856, which he later increased to 420 acres. He was one of the most respected men of his township and one of its most progressive and public-spirited citizens, and a regular attendant at the old log church of St. Patrick's parish, to which he donated the land on which the present church-edifice stands and also the ground for the cemetery. In politics he was originally a whig, but later become a Jacksonian democrat, and adhered to this political belief until his death. He lost his wife February 12, 1873, and his own death occurred September 9, 1877, and the remains of both lie interred in St. Patrick's cemetery, where a handsome marble slab marks their mutual grave.

William Downey remained with his parents, assisting his father in farming, until his marriage, April 23, 1874, to Miss Elizabeth Farrell, by Rev. William Doyle. Mrs. Downey was born in Daviess county April 18, 1847, a daughter of Andrew and Catherine (Smith) Farrell, and was confirmed in the Catholic faith by Bishop de St. Palais in the same class in which her husband was confirmed. Her father was born in county Longford, Ireland, and her mother was a native of Maryland, and these were the parents of six sons and seven daughters, of whom nine are still living -the eldest son, Joseph, being a farmer and grain buyer at Fort Worth, Tex., and the youngest daughter being the wife of Michael Conlin, a railroad man, also of Fort Worth, while the remaining seven reside in Daviess county, Ind. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Downey has been blessed with one son, James C., who was confirmed at ten years of age by Bishop Chatard, and is now an able assistant to his father in his agricultural pursuits.

William Downey has passed all his life in Daviess county, has always been among the foremost in aid of his church, and was present when the first spadeful of earth was removed for the purpose of making room for the foundation of the present St. Patrick's church-edifice. In his early years he taught school in Reeve town-

ship for 106 days, and for two years was engaged in merchandizing in Armagh, but is now engaged in agriculture, owning 189 acres in Reeve township, while Mrs. Downey owns forty acres in Harrison township—the gift of her father. In politics Mr. Downey is a staunch democrat, and cast his first presidential vote for Horatio Seymour in 1868, and it may be added that James C. Downey cast his first vote for William J. Bryan. Although a democrat, Mr. Downey has been extremely popular with his fellow-citizens of all parties, and served as postmaster of Armagh under the administration of President Grant. The family are devoted members of St. Patrick's church, and Mr. Downey is also a member of the Catholic Knights of America. No family in the county stands higher, socially, than that of William Downey.

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VERY REV. ANTHONY SCHEIDELER, V. G., rector of St. Mary's (German Catholic) church, on East Maryland street, Indianapolis, is a native of Borgholz, Westphalia, Germany, and was born May 23, 1836. He was primarily educated in the parochial schools of his native city and began preparation for the priesthood in the gymnasium at Paderborn. In 1854 he came to America and is the only representative of his family in this country, his parents having died in Germany. He entered the college at St. Vincent's, Pa., where he completed his classical and scientific studies, and next entered upon the study of philosophy and theology at Vincennes, Ind. October 21, 1860, he was ordained priest, in St. Francis Xavier cathedral, in the same city, Bishop de St. Palais presiding, and his first pastoral charge was that of St. Joseph, Dearborn county, Ind., where he officiated from October 21, 1860, until July 28, 1874, since which date he has had charge of St. Mary's, in Indianapolis, and since 1878 has been (German) vicar-general of the diocese of Vincennes. St. Mary's parish comprises nearly 400 families, all of whom are German, and was established in 1857, the church building being erected in 1858. Within its jurisdiction are six parochial schools—three for males and three for females—five of which are under the management of





*Anthony Scheideler V. G.*



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the Sisters of St. Francis, who are under the supervision of the parish priest.

Father Scheideler has been an ardent and earnest worker for the church and parish and well deserves the eminent position which he has attained through his piety and devotion to his duties. Benevolent in his nature, he is consequently gentle in his demeanor, and has won the heartfelt love of his parishioners, not only through his amiability, but through his profundity in knowledge and eloquence in the pulpit.

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REV. FRANCIS B. DOWD, rector of St. Anthony's church, Indianapolis, Ind., is a native of New Albany, this state, and was born April 26, 1862. His elementary education was acquired in the parochial schools of his native city, and his collegiate and seminary courses were pursued at St. Meinrad, covering a period of ten years. He was ordained to the priesthood May 26, 1888, and his first pastoral duties were performed as assistant at St. John's church, Indianapolis—having celebrated his first mass on Trinity Sunday, April 27, 1888, at Holy Trinity church, New Albany.

Father Dowd continued to officiate at St. John's until the tablishment of St. Anthony's congregation, when he became its pastor, and under his ministration the general preliminary work was performed and the means raised for the erection of a house of worship. Further information regarding this congregation and work done by the energetic young pastor will be found in the history proper of St. Anthony's church.

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DANIEL DOYLE, of 1804 Woodlawn avenue, Indianapolis, is one of three brothers, residents of this city, all of whom are well-known citizens, and all of whom are highly respected. Their names are Daniel, Thomas and Michael Doyle. Daniel and his two brothers were all born in the parish of Catherciveen county,

Kerry, Ireland, near the birthplace of the famous orator, patriot and statesman, Daniel O'Connell. Their parents were Thomas and Margaret Doyle, their mother's maiden name having been McCarty. Their father died when they were yet young, but their mother attained to a good old age. Of the ten children born to this venerated couple, seven grew to mature years, and five, four sons and a daughter, still survive—one son and one daughter still in the Emerald isle.

Daniel Doyle, the subject of this sketch, was about thirty years of age when he came to the United States. Becoming a citizen in 1872, he cast his first presidential vote at the election of that year at Terre Haute. He has therefore been a citizen of Indiana the same length of time that he has been a citizen of the United States. From Terre Haute he came to Indianapolis, where he was married in St. Joseph's church, by Rev. Father Alerding, in February, 1879, to Miss Ellen Cahill, daughter of Michael and Alice Cahill, the maiden name of the latter having been Egan. The mother of Mrs. Doyle died in Ireland, but the father and all of his children came to the United States during the years 1851 and 1852. The father died on November 23, 1865, and his remains lie buried in Holy Cross cemetery. The children that came with him to this country were six in number, two sons and four daughters, all of whom are living but one, Thomas, who died at the age of thirteen years, soon after the arrival of the family in America.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle have lived ever since their marriage in the parish of St. Patrick, but the earlier life of Mrs. Doyle was spent in the parish of St. John. They have but one child, Daniel Thomas, born November 6, 1881. He has been well educated in the Catholic schools, and is now a student at St. Stanislaus college, at Bay St. Louis, Miss. An unusually bright and intelligent young man, he has received numerous prizes for excellence in elocution and in his studies generally, the prize for excellence in elocution having been given at the close of the school year in 1897. Mr. and Mrs. Doyle are among the most estimable members of the parish in which they reside, and are worthy citizens of their city and state. They have an adopted daughter, named Katie, who has been in the family since her infancy, and who has

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received the same kind care and treatment accorded to their own son. She is a bright young girl, and is a joy to her adopted parents.

JOHN DOYLE, superintendent of the Connersville Axle company, was born in Albany, N. Y., June 13, 1863, and is a son of Edward and Mary (Mulvey) Doyle, natives of county Leitrim, Ireland, but who came to America when young, and were married in Rhode Island. The children born to Edward and Mary were six in number and were named, in order of birth, as follows: James, John, Mary, Edward, William and Charles. The father, who was a general laborer, died in New York December 28, 1882, in the Catholic faith; the mother now resides in Carthage, Ohio, where several of her children also live to share with her their filial affection, and all are sincere Catholics.

John Doyle was educated in the Sisters' school of Auburn, N. Y., until thirteen years old, and then learned the axlemaker' trade. In September, 1896, he came to Connersville, Ind., to accept his present position as superintendent for the Axle company, which has proven to be mutually satisfactory to the company and himself. He had married, in Auburn, N. Y., January 28, 1883, Miss Maggie Dolohery, who was born in Hornellsville, N. Y., May 21, 1863, and is a daughter of Patrick and Johannah (Hederman) Dolohery, and this marriage has been blessed with one child—William. Mr. and Mrs. Doyle are devout Catholics, are faithful in their church duties, and contribute freely to the support of the parish to which they now belong and to the good work of the church generally.

PATRICK DOYLE, who resides with his family at No. 519 Dougherty street, is well known to the Catholic citizens of Indianapolis and to many others, and is highly respected wherever known, being an early settler of St. Patrick's parish.

Mr. Doyle was born in county Kerry, Ireland, near the town of Waterville, famous as the birthplace of the patriot, orator,

lawyer and statesman, Daniel O'Connell. The parents of Mr. Doyle were Thomas and Margaret (McCarty) Doyle, whose ancestors, for generations back, were inhabitants of county Kerry. Thomas Doyle, father of Patrick, died when the son was about fourteen years of age, but his widow was spared many years to give her motherly care to her children, of whom there were ten, and of whom five are still living. Of these five, Daniel, Patrick and Michael reside in Indianapolis, and Mary and Cornelius are still in Ireland. The other children all died young.

Patrick Doyle was about nineteen years of age when he came to this country in 1863, from which year until 1865, he lived in Worcester, Mass. He then came to Indianapolis and was variously employed until 1871, when he was given his present position with the gas company. In 1869 he married Miss Alice McGraw, a native of county Waterford, Ireland. This marriage has been blessed with eight children—Thomas, John, James, Mary, Margaret and Alice, all of whom have been reared in the Catholic faith, and two died young. Mr. Doyle has always been an industrious citizen, has taken a most commendable interest in the promotion of the welfare of his parish, has been liberal in his contributions to the support of his church, and is to-day one of the most respected residents of the city.

REV. JOSEPH HEGGER, pastor of St. James church, at St. James, Gibson county, Ind., was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, October 1, 1859, and is a son of Frederick and Catherine (Uphof) Hegger, who came from Germany to the United States in 1835, landing in Baltimore, Md., whence they went to Cincinnati, Ohio, where the father was engaged in the woolen business until his death, which occurred August 15, 1866.

Rev. Joseph Hegger, next to the youngest of the seven children born to his parents, was educated in the parochial schools of his native city in his early youth, later received an academical education, and in September, 1875, entered the seminary at St. Meinrad, Spencer county, Ind., where he pursued his classical, philosophical and theological studies until 1889—five years of this



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period, from 1879 to 1884, however, being passed away from the seminary on account of sickness. But he persevered, and, June 13, 1889, was ordained priest by Bishop Chatard. On the 23d of the same month Father Hegger read his first mass at St. Andrew's church, Richmond, Ind. His first appointment was at Shoals, where he remained but a short time, when he was transferred to Richmond, to fill the place of the Very Rev. D. J. McMullen, of St. Mary's, who was on a vacation to Europe. On the latter's return he was transferred to Holy Trinity church, Evansville, as assistant. In August of the year 1891 his health declined in consequence of a sun-stroke suffered while at Richmond, and leave of absence was granted to regain his health until June 1, 1893, when he was appointed to the pastorate at Schnellville, where he ministered to the congregation of the Sacred Heart until August, 1896, when he was placed in charge of his present parish of St. James, where he has since labored most assiduously in the promotion of the spiritual welfare of a congregation comprising 110 families and of a school comprising about ninety pupils, being assisted in the latter by three Benedictine nuns. His labors have been rewarded with great success, but the heartfelt love of his parishioners and the approbation of his superiors in the church constitute the chief part of his meet reward.

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EDWARD F. DUBAIL, the popular young insurance agent and real estate broker, of South Bend, Ind., was born in the city named November 17, 1867, a son of Peter and Julia (Metzger) Dubail, the former a native of Paris, France, born in 1825, and the latter a native of the Buckeye state, born in 1828. By occupation Peter Dubail was a tonsorial artist of more than ordinary taste and ability, and practiced his profession from the date of his settlement in South Bend, in 1854, until 1890, when he retired on a competency.

Edward F. Dubail, whose name opens this memoir, was educated in St. Patrick's parochial school of his native city of South Bend, and at the age of sixteen years engaged in the grocery

business, first as clerk and then on his own account, and this trade occupied his attention and time from 1883 until 1890, when he entered the insurance, real estate, and loan business, in which he still continues, having met with phenomenal success. In 1895, he was appointed treasurer of the South Bend Electric Power company, and with the multifarious duties pertaining to this and his personal office work, he probably finds himself to be one of the busiest young men of the city.

The marriage of Mr. Dubail was solemnized, November 6, 1889, by Rev. Father Johannes, in St. Mary's church, South Bend, with Miss Grace A. Bowman, and this union has been blessed with one child, Donald Edward. The social position of Mr. Dubail and wife is a very enviable one, as they are recognized in the circles of the élite of South Bend with pleasure at all fetes and entertainments. Their moral worth is a subject of universal commendation, and life, with them, is altogether happy.

REV. JOHN W. DOYLE, the present pastor of St. Simon's church, Washington, Ind., was born in Madison, Jefferson county, Ind., August 1, 1851. At the early age of fifteen he began his preparation for the ministry by attendance at St. Meinard's college, Spencer county, Ind. He later attended the colleges of St. Thomas and St. Joseph at Bardstown, Ky., and the Grand seminary at Montreal, Canada. He took the finishing course in his theological studies at Indianapolis, and was placed in orders in 1875, being ordained as a priest by Bishop Maurice de St. Palais, May 25, of that year. For a short time he had charge of St. Vincent Orphan asylum, near Vincennes, and was then stationed at St. Mary's, Daviess county, over which parish he presided until 1879, when he was given the spiritual direction of St. Simon's parish, Washington. Under his excellent administration the affairs of this parish have prospered exceedingly, and the beginning and successful and joyful completion of the present noble church-building is very largely due to his admirable foresight, wisdom and energy. He enjoys in a very large degree the respect and

the admiration of his parishioners, and the relations of pastor and people are of the most agreeable and most harmonious character possible.

JOHN MICHAEL DUESTERBERG, the well-known druggist and pharmacist, at No. 625 North Second street, Vincennes, was born in this city September 20, 1844, a son of Garrett Henry Ind., and Caroline (Beckman) Duesterberg, natives of Hanover, Germany, the father born November 18, 1811, and the mother December 19, 1815. Although these parents were born within a few miles of each other, they never were acquainted until they met in Cincinnati, Ohio. They were married in Vincennes, Ind., December 27, 1837, and were the first German couple to be united in matrimony in this city. They had born to them ten children, viz: Catherine, now Mrs. Ostendorf; Mary, widow of Henry Terhar; Henry Bernard, undertaker and cabinetmaker; John M., the subject; Garrett H., grocer; Elizabeth, who died in infancy; Julia, unmarried; Peter Leonard, who died in 1881, at the age of twenty-six years; Elizabeth, unmarried, and Lawrence H., who died June 26, 1894, aged thirty-six years.

The father was originally a manufacturer of spinningwheels and later became an undertaker and cabinetmaker. He was a member of the first city council after the city was incorporated; he served several years in this body, also served sixteen years as school trustee and four years as city treasurer. He died July 13, 1894, and was buried from St. John's German Catholic church, of which he was one of the organizers and a faithful member until his death. He was one of the best-known pioneers of Vincennes and enjoyed the confidence and esteem of all who knew him. His venerable widow, after a residence of sixty years in this city, expired on Sunday morning, March 28, 1897, also in the same faith.

John M. Duesterburg was educated in St. John's German Catholic school and the public schools of Vincennes, and in December, 1861, entered the employ of H. E. Peck, druggist, with whom he remained three years; was with Luck & Patton one year, and then with J. D. Landers two years. He next embarked in business

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as a druggist on his own account on North Second street, but two years later formed a partnership with J. D. Landers, which was continued for four years and a half. Since then he has been in business, on his sole account with the exception of two years, during which he was practically retired. In 1883 he re-engaged in the drug business on North Second street, and ten years later erected his present business block, the salesroom of which is a model of beauty, convenience and taste. He began his career with but little capital, but through his urbanity and attention to the needs of his patrons is now possessed of a very handsome property.

The first marriage of Mr. Duesterburg took place January 2, 1872, to Miss Lizzie Tracey, a Protestant young lady, who died nine months later, leaving a daughter—Lottie—who died in infancy. November 24, 1874, Mr. Duesterberg was united in marriage with Miss Mary Rikhoff, a daughter of Albert Rikhoff, a native of Holland, but for many years a resident of Cincinnati, where Mrs. Duesterberg was born; later Mr. Rikhoff came to Vincennes and here passed the remainder of his life. Mr. Duesterberg is a prominent member of the democratic party, served two years in the Vincennes city council, following which he was elected township trustee, a position he held six years. He and his wife are members of St. John's Catholic church, and are identified with its various soldalities. Mrs. Duesterberg is a member of branch No. 533, Catholic Knights of America, and of St. John's Benevolent society; his standing in business circles is very desirable, and socially he and his wife stand very high in the esteem of their neighbors.

**P**ATRICK JOSEPH DUFFEY, superintendent of the Indianapolis vapor lights for the Sun Vapor Street & Light company of Canton, Ohio, was born in Indianapolis February 23, 1875. He is a son of James and Katherine (Fox) Duffey, the former of whom is a native of Indiana and the latter of Ireland. They were married in Indianapolis in 1873, at St. John's church, by Mgr. Besonies and are both of Irish parentage.

James Duffey has spent his life mostly in well-driving, gas and

steam fitting, but is now engaged in other business at Nos. 307 and 309 West McCarty street, Indianapolis, where he and his wife and children all reside. Mr. Duffey is a democrat, but has neither held nor desired to hold public office. He has voted in Indiana for the past thirty-three years, and uniformly the democratic ticket. He and his wife are the parents of the following children: Patrick Joseph, the subject of this sketch; Mary, James Oliver, John William and Katie, the latter of whom is deceased. The family are all members of St. John's Catholic church of Indianapolis, of which Rev. Father Gavisk is pastor, and the children are all single, living under the parental roof, at the place above mentioned.

Patrick Joseph Duffey was educated first in the public school, and afterward at St. John's academy. He received his first communion at the age of fifteen at St. John's church. Since engaging in business on his own account he has been a grocery clerk, a collector for a driving well company, and for several months he worked on the Belt railroad, and also one year in a rolling-mill. On May 1, 1897, he was chosen to his present responsible position by the Sun Vapor Street & Light company of Canton, Ohio, and is giving satisfaction not only to the company by which he is employed but also to the patrons of that company. He receives and disburses the funds for the payment of the expenses of the business; furnishes three teams, employs three men, and is employed about four hours daily in attending to the business. He is a young man of good business attainments, is industrious, temperate and frugal, and thus has a bright future in store. In his political views he is a democrat, is devoted to his party and has many friends, through whose influence he secured his present prominent and permanent position. He is certainly to be congratulated upon his success in life and upon his habits and character, upon which so much depends, especially in the case of young men.

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JOHN DUGAN, at the southeast corner of Merrill and Missouri streets, Indianapolis, was born in county Donegal, Ireland, September 26, 1869. He is a son of John and Bridget (O'Gara) Dugan, both natives of county Donegal, in which county they

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spent their lives, dying there in middle life, the former in 1874 at the age of thirty-five, and the latter dying the next year. They left a family of six children, viz: Patrick, a farmer in Ireland; Maggie, who died when about thirteen years of age; Mary, who married Paul Bonner and resides on South West street, Indianapolis, her husband doing business at the corner of Maryland and West streets; John, the subject of this sketch; Neal, a traveling salesman of Jonesboro, Kans., and Daniel, a farmer, still living in his native country. Patrick is the only male member of the family that is married.

John Dugan, the subject of this sketch, came alone to the United States, landed in New York in December, 1888, and came directly to Indianapolis, having left home without the knowledge of his family. He had been preceded by his sister Mary, the others that have come across the sea, coming later than he. Mr. Dugan began life in this country as a railroad employee, and then entered the "Big Four" Railway company's boiler shops, in which he remained five years. Leaving this line of labor he was then engaged for some time in whatever he could find to do, and at length became a bar-tender, which he continued to follow until he opened his present place, located as stated above.

Mr. Dugan is still unmarried, and lives in the family of a cousin named Frank Gallagher. He is a member of St. John's church, to the support of which he contributes liberally, and he is also a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. In politics he is a democrat, but has never been a seeker after office, preferring to take care of his private business, which he confidently expects will in its turn take care of him. He has been quite a traveler, having visited many points of interest in countries on the continent of Europe.

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CHARLES FRANCIS DUNN, a native of Richmond, Ind., was born November 7, 1869, a son of Thomas and Catherine (Landy) Dunn, and is now the popular letter-carrier so anxiously looked for daily along his prescribed route, let the nature of the correspondence be what it may to the expectant recipients.

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Thomas Dunn, father of Charles Francis, was born in Queens county, Ireland, in Mountmellick parish, March 10, 1810, attended parochial school, and farmed until leaving for America. He arrived in New York in 1852, lived in that city and Jersey City, N. J., until 1855, in which year he was married, in Jersey City, to Catherine Landy. He moved, in the same year, to Lancaster, Pa., at which place two of his children, Michael and John, were born. In 1859 he moved to Valparaiso, Ind., then the western terminus of the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne & Chicago railroad, for which company he was working; he lived there one year, and then moved to Richmond in 1860, entering the employment of the P., C. & St. L. R. R., being transferred by the company. He was employed in the blacksmithing department, but afterward resigned and entered the services of the C., H. & D. R. R. in the same capacity, where he remained until his death, March 3, 1882, having been struck by an engine.

Mrs. Catherine (Landy) Dunn was born in county Tipperary, Ireland, parish Clanwill, in 1831. Her father was a farmer, attended parochial school, arrived in New York in 1854, and settled in Jersey City, where she was married.

The children born to Thomas Dunn and wife were ten in number, of whom seven still survive, viz: Michael, who is master mechanic of the Pennsylvania railroad shops at Dennison, Ohio; John T., foreman of the Pendleton shops of the Louisville & Nashville road at Cincinnati, Ohio; Philip, assistant superintendent at the C., P. & C. shops, Cincinnati; William H., a telegraph operator for the Pennsylvania line at Richmond, Ind.; Sarah E.; Charles Francis, our subject, and Anna S. Mrs. Catherine (Landy) Dunn, the mother of this family, died September 2, 1890, a devout Catholic, and was buried in St. Mary's cemetery, where the remains of three of her children—Thomas, Catherine L. and Edward T.—were also interred, she having been a member of the Altar and Rosary society, and her husband having been appointed by Father McMullen a member of the committee formed to raise the means to establish the cemetery in which the deceased members of the family have found their last resting place.

Michael Dunn, elder brother of Charles Francis, received a

common-school education, entered the Panhandle shop, in Richmond, when but fifteen years old, and was later made foreman of the Pendleton shops, at Cincinnati, Ohio. After serving in that position about one and one-half years, he was made master mechanic of same shops. He served in that capacity until 1896, when he was promoted to master mechanic of the Panhandle shops at Dennison, Ohio, one of the best positions on the Panhandle system. He was city councilman there one term and was president of the A. O. H. several terms; was also president of the Emerald Benevolent society, and was trustee of St. Mary's church.

Charles Francis Dunn was educated in St. Mary's parochial school primarily, and later, in June, 1889, graduated from the Richmond high school. Having passed a due examination, he was accepted, in the fall of 1890, as a letter-carrier, and this position he has most acceptably filled until the present time. In January, 1896, he was elected a trustee of St. Mary's church; he is also a member of the A. O. of H., in which order he is serving his second term as president, and was at one time vice-president of the Julian club, of which he is still a member. He is a popular young man in the society circles of Richmond, and enjoys the respect of all who have the happiness of being acquainted with him.

REV. JOSEPH H. HILLEBRAND, the venerated pastor of St. Mary's of the Assumption church at Floyd Knobs, Floyd county, Ind., is a native of Covington, Ky., and was born September 28, 1858, the fourth in order of birth of the family of Joseph and Mary (Heitmeyer) Hillebrand.

Rev. J. H. Hillebrand's primary education was commenced in the parochial schools of the church of the Mother of God, in his native city. In the fall of 1878 he entered the celebrated St. Meinrad college, Spencer county, Ind., there finished the classical, philosophical and theological courses of study, and was ordained priest by Bishop Chatard, June 19, 1886. His first charge was the parish of St. Francis Xavier, at Henryville, Clark county, Ind. He began the work July 12, 1886, and remained there until 1891.







Respectfully Yours  
J. H. Holmbrand



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He was the first resident priest the parish ever had, and his career in this parish was marked by great improvement and progress. He erected the priest's home at a cost of \$750; in 1888 erected a twenty-foot addition to the church, and had the entire interior of the structure overhauled and garnished. He built a sacristy, and two new altars, and gallery for the choir. He introduced singing in the congregation, and purchased an organ, which had been an unknown quantity in the worship. The church and other buildings were newly painted, and the entire outlay amounted to \$2,000.

Besides his work at St. Xavier's, Father Hillebrand had two missions, St. Michael's, in Clark county, eight miles distant, with twelve families, which he increased to sixteen, and Mother of God, at Lexington, Scott county, which had ten families, and was sixteen miles distant from his home parish, which shows what a task he had to perform. The home parish had forty-two families, or 175 souls.

His next work was in St. Bernard's parish, at Rockport, Spencer county. He assumed charge in August, 1891, and remained there until 1897. The membership was fifty-five families, with 225 souls, to whom he added twenty-one converts. There was no priest's home of any consequence, so he built a new residence of six rooms, costing \$850, in 1891; next, in 1892, he built a Sisters' house, costing \$750. There were two Benedictine Sisters in charge of the school. The next improvement was the overhauling of the church, the erection of three altars, costing \$350, and seven statues, costing \$210, and the painting and frescoing of the church, costing \$500.

When Father Hillebrand reached the parish, the debt was \$6,200; nevertheless, he made the improvements mentioned and reduced the debt \$800. He also placed in a furnace costing \$250, and a 1,500-pound bell, costing \$200. The entire expenditure during his pastorate amounted to \$3,200. Father Hillebrand, beside his home work, had charge of two parishes—St. Martin's, in Spencer county, of twenty-six families, and St. Rupert's, at Yankee-town, Warrick county. The latter was seventeen miles distant, and St. Martin's eight miles distant.

The next charge of Father Hillebrand was St. Mary's church

of the Assumption at Floyd's Knobs, Ind., which is seven miles northwest of New Albany, and of this he became pastor September 23, 1897. The parish numbers 130 families, or 700 souls. This parish is an historic one, and it is to be regretted that its early records have not been preserved. The parish is in a very healthy state, financially, not a dollar of indebtedness standing against it. There are three Benedictine Sisters—two as teachers and one as housekeeper—in charge of the school, which has an enrollment of ninety-five pupils. Since Father Hillebrand's advent he has finished a beautiful one-story school-house, 30x60 feet, costing \$1,000, which will accommodate 130 pupils. At present the buildings are being beautified with paint, and a general air of thrift marks the administration of Father Hillebrand.

Father Hillebrand is cordial and genial in manner, is well-known as an indefatigable worker, and is endeared to his flock and many others more deeply than any preceding pastor.

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JAMES DUNN, commission salesman for the Singer Sewing Machine company, at No. 521 North Pine street, Indianapolis, and a patriot of the late Civil war, was born in the city of Mullingar, county Westmeath, Ireland, April 17, 1839, and at the age of fourteen years came alone to America, first securing the paternal consent through a friend whom he was visiting at the time in England.

On arriving in this country he visited an uncle in Troy, N. Y., and next visited another uncle in Allegany county, in the same state, and, being there at the outbreak of the Rebellion, enlisted in company I, Twenty-seventh New York volunteer infantry, being among the first to volunteer for the two-year service. This regiment was under the command of Col. H. W. Slocum, afterward a famous brigadier-general. Mr. Dunn served out the full term of his enlistment, his active work beginning with the first battle of Bull Run and ending with the engagement at Chancellorsville. He was a gallant and brave young soldier, and endured with fortitude all the hardships of military life, and took part in all the marches, skirmishes and engagements in which his regiment par-

ticipated, and was honorably mustered out at Elmira, N. Y., May 31, 1863, having served from May 21, 1861. He then entered the government service in the commissary and construction department, where he served until nearly the close of the war.

Prior to his enlistment, Mr. Dunn had formed the acquaintance, in Allegany county, N. Y., of Miss Delia McGraw, and this acquaintance was maintained by correspondence while Mr. Dunn was in the army and afterward. The McGraw family, just before the opening of hostilities, removed to Colfax, Clinton county, Ind., to which place, after leaving the government service, Mr. Dunn betook himself, and on St. Patrick's day, 1865, led this young lady to the altar at LaFayette, where they were united in matrimony by Rev. Father Hamilton. Mrs. Dunn is a daughter of Daniel and Hannah McGraw, and is a native of county Clare, Ireland. She has borne her husband six children, three living, viz: Mary Cecilia, who has been a clerk in the mercantile house of Dedtert & Sudbrock, Indianapolis, the past seven years; Fannie, wife of Jacob C. Olinger, a barber at the corner of Michigan and Noble streets, this city, and Joseph Francis, at home, but who has served in the special delivery of the Indianapolis post-office since 1890, and is also a member of the Young Men's institute.

For the first year after his marriage Mr. Dunn was employed as a clerk in LaFayette; he then constructed a brick and tile manufactory at Clark's Hill, Tippecanoe county, which he successfully operated two years, when his health failed and he disposed of his plant; he next traveled throughout the Union several years as a salesman of brick and tile machinery, and finally resigned and became salesman or agent for the Singer Sewing Machine company, which has been his principal occupation for the past fourteen years, with his residence in Indianapolis dating from about 1887.

Mr. Dunn and family are members of St. Joseph's church, and always attentive to their duties. Mr. Dunn has been very active in Grand Army circles and is a past commander of George H. Chapman post, No. 209, of this city, and he also holds a commission as notary public. He has made his home in Indianapolis, and he and family are universally held in the highest esteem by all classes of society, both within and without the pale of the church.

JOHN B. JEUP, editor-in-chief of the German Telegraph of Indianapolis, and who has filled this position with ability since 1886, was born near Coblenz, on the Rhine, Germany, February 12, 1828. He received a liberal education in his native country, having in view the profession of teaching as his life work, and followed that occupation for a number of years in his native land. In 1858 he emigrated to the United States, at the solicitation of Bishop Luers, the first bishop of Fort Wayne, but on arriving in this country circumstances so shaped themselves that his original intention as to location had to be changed, and for a time he pursued the occupation of teaching at New Albany, Ind., the school being in connection with St. Boniface church of Louisville, Ky. During the period thus employed he was engaged in writing for several Catholic papers, and in 1860 he became assistant editor of the *Volksfreund*, a daily paper published in Cincinnati, Ohio. In 1863 he purchased this paper, and conducted it with signal ability until 1869, when he sold it and became editor-in-chief of the *Louisville Anzeiger*, a daily political paper. Later he became editorially connected with the *New York Staats Zeitung*, which paper is said to have had the largest circulation of any paper published in the German language, not excepting the most liberally patronized papers of Germany. Learning that he could, by connecting himself with the German Telegraph, of Indianapolis, conduct it in accordance with his own views, he removed to this city, purchased the interest of Gabriel Schmuck, and he has since been its editor-in-chief. The Telegraph issues a daily, weekly, and Sunday edition, has prospered marvelously under Mr. Jeup's management, has a very large circulation and wields a wide influence.

Mr. Jeup was married in Germany to Miss Anna Gertrude Wirc, by whom he has had seven children, four of whom are still living. His only son, Bernard J. T. Jeup, is at present the efficient city engineer of Indianapolis. His eldest daughter, Lizzie, is employed in the money-order department of the Indianapolis post-office. Matilda is living at home. Mrs. Katie Youngblood, another daughter, formerly of Detroit, Mich., died in 1896, leaving four children. The others of the seven children have died. The two eldest children were educated at St. Martha's convent, in Ohio,





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and the youngest at the Catholic and high schools of Cincinnati, and afterwards took a course of study at the college of music. The son graduated from the engineering department of Columbia college, New York city, of which institution the Hon. Seth Low is the efficient president.

Mr. Jeup is a man of extraordinary attainments, an able writer and a most progressive citizen, and the family are worthy members of St. Bridget's Catholic church.

**J**OSEPH EDWARD DUNN, the well-known commission agent at No. 836 Huron street, Indianapolis, was born in county Westmeath, Ireland, July 22, 1842, a son of Edward and Mary Dunn, of whom further mention is made in another paragraph.

Joseph E., the subject proper of this memoir, was quite well educated in his native county, and was then employed as a clerk in a commercial establishment in the vicinity of Dublin for several years. June 26, 1866, he embarked for America, and on arriving first located in Danville, Ill., where he was employed as a clerk for two years, and then went to Bloomington, Ill., where for five years he was employed in railroad work, as foreman. For two years thereafter he held a position as clerk in a railroad office in Mason City, Ill., and about 1875 reached Indiana, and for a year and a half was employed as baggage-master for the Big Four railroad company at Colfax, and then, for six or seven years, was transfer agent, as well as local agent, for the American Express company at the same point. He was then promoted to be agent and transfer agent at the union depot in Richmond, Ind., where he remained about one year, and was transferred to Logansport, where he was night clerk for the same company for about another year. At Logansport, also, he entered the employ of the Singer Sewing Machine company, with which he remained about five years, and in 1885 came to Indianapolis, where he has since devoted his attention to his present business.

Edward Dunn, father of Joseph E., died in Logansport, and the mother of the subject died when the latter was an infant.

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They were the parents of five sons and one daughter, of whom two only, beside our subject, are now living, viz: James, of No. 289 North Pine street, Indianapolis, and Sister St. Alphonse, of St. Mary's of the Woods. This sister has had a varied and extensive experience in church work, having been a teacher in St. Joseph's school in Indianapolis, and also at Terre Haute, and for sixteen years engaged in missionary work in Jeffersonville, Terre Haute, Evansville, Connersville and Seymour, training novices for entrance to the order.

Mr. Dunn was united in marriage, at Logansport, with Miss Mary Price, a native of Marietta, Washington county, Ohio, and a daughter of William H. and Rosanna Rhodes Price, natives of Ohio, and of German and English ancestry. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Dunn has been blessed with five children, viz: Edward Francis and James H., telegraph operators in Indianapolis; Mary C., Joseph J. and Frances Grace—Mary C. being a clerk in a mercantile establishment. These children were all educated in St. Patrick's parochial school and in the public schools of Indianapolis, and are well advanced in the ordinary English branches. James H. is a member of the Young Men's institute, and Mary C. is a member of the Children of Mary society, of St. Patrick's church, to which church the family belong, and contribute freely to its support. In politics Mr. Dunn is independent, and votes for such candidates as he thinks best suited to fill the offices for which they are nominated. The family are greatly respected by their neighbors and in church circles, and Mr. Dunn's methods of doing business have won for him the confidence of all with whom he has had transactions of any character whatever.

REV. JOHN PATRICK DURHAM, director of the school for boys, attached to the cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne, Ind., was born in Middletown, Orange county, N. Y., September 22, 1869, a son of John and Rose (Wiley) Durham, natives of Ireland, who came to the United States when young and were married in New York state, where they still reside.

Rev. John P. Durham is the second born in a family of nine

children, and after receiving the ordinary preparatory education entered St. Benedict's college, of Kansas, in 1886, and there passed through a classical course of five years' duration; he next studied philosophy at the Niagara university, N. Y., finishing in 1894, then entered St. Mary's seminary in Cincinnati, Ohio, and pursued his theological studies until ordained to the priesthood by the Most Rev. William Henry Elder, D. D., archbishop, June 19, 1897, and assigned to his present position at Fort Wayne.

**M**ICHAEL F. DURLAUF, well and favorably known as a marble and granite dealer of Jasper, Dubois county, Ind., is a son of Michael J. and Ursula (Johannes) Durlauf, natives of Germany, who came to the United States in 1858 and located in Dubois county, Ind., where both passed the remainder of their lives. Michael F. Durlauf was born November 25, 1856, in Germany, but was reared in Dubois county, Ind., where he attended the common schools, and at the age of sixteen years began learning stonemasonry. In the year 1884 he started in his present business in Jasper, and has continued here ever since.

Mr. Durlauf was married May 15, 1877, to Miss Elizabeth Gutzweiler, a daughter of Florian and Maria (Reis) Gutzweiler, of Dubois county, by Rev. Father Fidelis, and this union has been blessed with eight children, viz: Rosie, married to F. L. Betz; Leo F., Michael J., Henrietta H., Alexis, Harry, Frank and Otto. All of the above children are members of St. Joseph's church, to which the parents also belong, and no family in Dubois county stands higher in the public esteem.

About 1884 Mr. Durlauf organized the Jasper Cornet band, which comprised fourteen pieces. The same year, in a contest at Evansville, this band won the prize for excellence of execution.

Politically Mr. Durlauf is a democrat and cast his first presidential vote for Gen. W. S. Hancock. Mr. Durlauf made the draft of the Dubois county poorhouse and is superintending the construction of the same, having been recommended by the state board of charities as being competent to draft the plan and to furnish specifications.

**H**ERMAN HULMAN.—Among the prominent and public-spirited men of Terre Haute, there has been none more deserving than this gentleman. He has been a resident of the city since 1854, has been in active business during all the years of his mature life, and has made a name that will be a perpetual part of the history of the city of his adoption.

Herman Hulman was born in the city of Lingen, Hanover, April 20, 1831. His years of growth and education were spent in the place of his nativity, and chiefly in the bosom of his father's family, where he received the advantages of a higher education than is the common lot of the people of his land. When he was eighteen years of age, he engaged in the grocery trade on his own account, in Osnabruck, Hanover, which he successfully conducted the next four years. His elder brother, F. T. Hulman, had emigrated to America in 1850, had settled in Terre Haute, and had also established himself in a moderate way in the grocery trade. Through his earnest solicitation, Herman closed out his business in the old country and came to America, joined his brother in Terre Haute, and became his partner.

They prospered well, and their trade was well established in 1858, when there came upon this family a shocking misfortune. It was in that year that F. T. Hulman, accompanied by his entire family, concluded to visit his old home and friends, and were all lost on the ill-fated steamer "Asturia." This left Herman Hulman in charge of the entire concern, which he carried on alone until 1859, when he formed a partnership with R. S. Cox, who had become his most formidable rival in the same line of business. Shortly after this, Mr. Hulman purchased McGregor & Co.'s distillery, at that time rather a small concern. This he enlarged and increased in capacity, making it one of the most extensive concerns in western Indiana. Mr. Hulman remained sole manager of this enterprise until 1875, when, on account of failing health and a desire to re-visit Europe, he disposed of the distillery to Crawford Fairbanks, but on his return he purchased an interest in the distillery and the new firm was known as Hulman & Fairbanks. In 1878 Mr. Hulman traded his interest in the distillery for R. S. Cox's interest in the grocery business, becoming once more sole

manager of the wholesale grocery, which he continued under the name of H. Hulman until 1886, when B. G. Cox and Anton Hulman were taken in as partners, the firm at present being known as Hulman & Co. The present Hulman block is one of the finest in the city, was built by Mr. Hulman in 1892-93, and is expressly designed for the economical handling of the vast trade of one of the largest wholesale houses west of the Alleghanies. This assertion may sound strange to those not cognizant of all the facts; yet it is nevertheless true, but in the sense of a large house wherein the trade is directly with the house's customers. With this limitation, the assertion is strictly true. (It is proper to state that this information, like that of the facts of Mr. Hulman's biography, is not from him, nor made with his knowledge or consent, but is obtained from a source entirely reliable.)

Great as has been Mr. Hulman's prosperity, it really is as a philanthropist and a public-spirited and liberal friend of the city of Terre Haute, its advancement and the comfort of its people, the permanent good of all its railroads, factories, schools, churches and hospitals—which have been the fields of his greatest efforts to benefit his fellow-men—that has made his name so greatly honored. It is in this respect that he deserves to be and will be longest and most gratefully remembered. It is to him chiefly that there exists St. Anthony's hospital, which institution occupies the old St. Agnes Episcopal school-building. The grounds and building were purchased by Mr. Hulman and donated to the Poor Sisters of St. Francis, and remodeled and enlarged into its present form. It is not known generally the exact amount of his contribution to this purpose, but altogether it was about \$75,000. In the completion and furnishing of the hospital, however, liberal contributions were made by several of the leading men of the city. Mr. Hulman has been one of the main promoters of all railroads coming to Terre Haute; and in securing the establishment in Terre Haute of the Nail works, the Blast furnace, the Rolling mill, the Tool works and the City water works, no one has been more active or efficient. The world has not had many such men as Herman Hulman. In all that constitutes a good citizen, none can be called before him.

Mr. Hulman was married, in 1862, to Miss Antonia Riefenstahl,

and to them were born three children: Anton, who married Miss Mayme Bannister; Herman, who married Miss Gertrude Preston, and Marie, who died at the age of four years. The young men assist their father in his vast business concerns from day to day—worthy sons of a worthy sire. April 17, 1883, Mrs. Hulman died in the faith of the Holy Catholic church—a pure Christian filled with love and charity for all her kind, and equally loved by all who knew her.

**J**OHNN DUNN, a retired business man of Logansport and an ex-county commissioner of Cass county, Ind., was born in the parish of Balleragget, county Kilkenny, Ireland, in June, 1828, a son of Patrick and Bridget (Kay) Dunn, who came to America in 1848, landing in Quebec, Canada, where they resided one year, then came to the United States, and after a short residence in Cleveland settled in Akron, Ohio, where the father was employed in the rubber works until his death, December 17, 1864, at the age of sixty-seven years, and the mother in 1888, aged eighty-four.

Of their eight children, Mary was married to a Mr. Boa and lives near Mansfield, Ohio; John, the next in order of birth, will be fully spoken of further on; Catherine was united in marriage with Patrick McCue, but died in Summit county, Ohio, leaving one child (John, who resides at Willow Branch, Hancock county, Ind.); Elizabeth, wife of Jefferson Williamson, of Akron, Ohio; Minnie, now Mrs. Halterman, of Dayton, Ohio; Ann, deceased wife of Mr. Devine, of Sidney, Ohio; Dennis, a fruit dealer at Akron, and Patrick, a gold miner in California.

John Dunn, the subject of this biography, received a limited education in the old country, and, for a time resided in county Queens, whence, in 1852, he came to the United States, sailing on the good ship *Constellation* May 25, and landing in New York July 9, following, and joining the family at Akron, Ohio, and working there in railroad construction until March, 1853, when he went to Cleveland and worked in a brickyard until the fall of the same year, when he came to Indiana, became foreman of a railroad section gang working on what is now known as the Monon route at LaFayette,



and held the position until 1860. He then began learning the stonecutter's trade, but at the close of ten months, business becoming dull on account of the outbreak of the Civil war, he came to Logansport, in 1862, and resumed railroad construction as section foreman on the Wabash road, and so continued until 1870, when he embarked in the grocery trade, which he conducted until 1891, then transferred the business to his sons, Patrick and Edward, and retired, to enjoy in quietude the competency his life of activity had so worthily gained him.

The first marriage of Mr. Dunn took place October 1, 1858, at LaFayette, Ind., to Mary Sheehy, a native of county Tipperary, Ireland, but this lady bore a still-born child and died soon afterward, and December 23, 1859, in Indianapolis, Ind., Mr. Dunn was married to Bridget Carden, who was born in Ireland, and in 1857 came to the United States. This marriage has been blessed with eight children, of whom six are still living, and were born in the following order: John, who is a dealer in gents' furnishing goods in Chicago, Ill.; Patrick, who married Miss Maggie Graney, has two children, Cora and John, and is a member of the firm of Dunn Bros., grocers, at Logansport; Edward, who married Miss Frances Eisert, and is also a member of the firm just mentioned; Mary, wife of William Fitzgerald, inspector for the Natural Gas company; Thomas, bookkeeper for the First National bank, and William, who is cashier for the Natural Gas company; Sarah and Joseph, deceased.

In politics Mr. Dunn is a democrat, and for three years was county commissioner of Cass county, during which period he was instrumental in bringing about many improvements, in the way of building bridges, making gravel roads and improving the drainage system; he also represented his party as a member of the city council from the Third ward of Logansport and aided materially in making the city what it now is—the most prosperous of its size in the state of Indiana. Through his industry and business sagacity he has made, unaided, his fortune, and is now the owner of his dwelling at No. 214 Canal street, where he has resided since 1863, and also owns the business block occupied as a grocery by his sons and which he built, at No. 425 Third street, beside residence prop-

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erty for rental purposes in the city and farming lands outside the corporation limits. He is a member of St. Vincent de Paul church, where he has rented a pew ever since the church-edifice was erected, and to the support of this church he liberally contributes. As a business man his name always stood without reproach, and as a citizen it is held in the highest honor.

**J**OHAN W. DWYER, the well-known blacksmith of Montgomery, Daviess county, Ind., is a native of Greene county, Ohio, and was born March 4, 1862, a son of James and Anna (Waters) Dwyer, who have had born to them five sons and four daughters, and of these nine children eight are still living, John W. being the fourth in order of birth.

James Dwyer was born in Tipperary county, Ireland, about 1820. He sailed from Liverpool, England, in 1849, and landed in New Orleans, whence he went directly to Greene county, Ohio, where he has ever since been engaged in farming. His wife is also a native of Tipperary county, Ireland, and was born about 1832.

John W. Dwyer was reared on his father's farm, and was partially educated in the district school, but is, in fact, a self-educated man. He remained on the home place until twenty-four years of age and then learned the blacksmith's trade in Jamestown, Ohio. He began business in 1888 on his own account, without a dollar, in Montgomery, Ind., where he at once opened his present blacksmith shop, which is now the leading smithy of the town.

Mr. Dwyer has been twice married. His first marriage took place in Montgomery, October 25, 1893, to Miss Maggie Hefferman, the ceremony being performed by Father Piers. Mrs. Dwyer passed away January 31, 1895, leaving one son, James D. The second marriage of Mr. Dwyer was solemnized June 29, 1897, with Miss May O'Neill. Mr. Dwyer was confirmed June 2, 1877, by Archbishop Purcell, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Mrs. Dwyer was confirmed by Bishop Chatard, of the diocese of Vincennes, Ind. Both are now members of St. Peter's congregation of Montgomery, and are very liberal in their contributions toward its support.

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In politics Mr. Dwyer is a democrat and cast his first presidential vote for Grover Cleveland in 1884. He served his party as village clerk of Montgomery in 1890, and was president of the school board in 1891 and 1892. During his incumbency of the latter office the present school-building was erected at a cost of \$2,200, and this is now a matter of pride to all the residents of the village. Fraternally, Mr. Dwyer has been a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians since 1890. Although he came to Montgomery empty-handed, so to speak, by sobriety, industry and economy he has become the owner of his shop and dwelling and has won the respect of all his fellow-citizens.

JAMES J. DWYER, at No. 1308 West Washington street, Indianapolis, was born in Kansas City, Mo., February 13, 1872. He is a son of Dennis and Fannie Morgan Dwyer, natives of Ireland, who came to the United States in their younger days, and were married in Dayton, Ohio. Dennis and Fannie Dwyer became the parents of six children, viz: William, an employee of the Missouri & Pacific Railway company, is married, has a family of eight children, and resides in St. Louis, Mo.; Mary, wife Henry Stauff, a barber of Chicago; John, who died in Indianapolis, unmarried, at the age of thirty-three years; Dennis, Jr., a brakeman on the Indianapolis & Vincennes railway, is married and lives in Indianapolis; Maggie is unmarried and resides with her parents, and James J. is the subject of this sketch. The home of this family was established in Indianapolis in 1875, at No. 218 Minkner street.

James J. Dwyer obtained his education in St. John's academy in Indianapolis, and afterward spent about three years of his life in a machine shop in the same city. Since 1891 he has been engaged in business at the location given above. His place is finely equipped, and is conducted strictly on business principles. Mr. Dwyer has been unusually successful in his business, being a genial, pleasant and companionable young gentleman, of correct personal habits, and has by these means and characteristics gained friends by the hundreds. Enjoying the best of health, being temperate

in all things, he is a splendid specimen of physical manhood, is chaste in language and speech, and is highly respected by all. He is still unmarried and lives beneath the parental roof. The family are members of St. Anthony's church, to which they contribute liberally, and the voting members of the family are democrats. None of them are connected with any church society, but perform all their duties in a quiet and conscientious manner.

**D**ENNIS EAGAN, practical horseshoer and farrier, at No. 212 North Delaware street, Indianapolis, is a native of county Tipperary, Ireland, was born September 3, 1854, and is a son of Gilbert and Katherine (Kelley) Eagan, natives of the same county, who came to America about 1865, and located in Connecticut. The father was a thoroughly educated gentleman, though he never engaged in any professional work, and died in Connecticut January 12, 1877, his widow following him to the grave July 24, 1885—both dying sincere Catholics. The family comprised five sons and five daughters, of whom three of each sex are still living.

Dennis Eagan, the ninth of the ten children born to his parents, was about eleven years of age when the family came to America. In 1869, he was apprenticed to a horseshoer and farrier in Middeltown, Conn., thoroughly learned the trade, and in the spring of 1878 came to Indianapolis and established himself in business, which he has conducted with marked success until the present time, giving constant employment to five hands, while he is himself kept unremittingly busy.

Mr. Eagan was married in Indianapolis July 28, 1880, to Miss Mary Cecilia Higgins, a native of Edinburg, Ind., of Irish parentage. This marriage has been blessed with five children, born in the following order: Katherine Anastatia, Thomas Gilbert, Mary Cecilia, Ellen Winifred and Dennis Edward—all attendants at St. Agnes school. Although a lad of but fifteen years of age, Thomas Gilbert is about to enter upon a course of scholastic and theological training at St. Mary's, Kans., and the other children are equally bright and intelligent. The family are members of Sts.

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Peter and Paul's church, under the ministration of Right Rev. Francis Silas Chatard, D. D., and his able assistants, Right Rev. Mgr. August Bessonies, V. G., and Rev. Joseph Chartrand. Mr. Eagan is prominently associated with the order known as the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick; and also of the Young Men's institute, while Mrs. Eagan is an active and influential member of the Chapel club of Sts. Peter and Paul. The family are faithful to their church duties and are always among the foremost to lend their aid in advancing any task that may promote the progress of church work and advance the welfare of the congregation, spiritually as well as temporally.

JOHN EBNER, at No. 304 West Washington street, Indianapolis, Ind., was born in Canton, Ohio, February 15, 1848. He is a son of Joseph and Catharine (Suter) Ebner, both natives of Baden, Germany, but who were married in Ohio. The former was a shoemaker, and died at Napoleon, Ind., in 1864, the latter dying at the same place in 1875. They were the parents of thirteen children, eight of whom are still living, the subject being the sixth in order of birth. The children who did not die in childhood were named as follows: Mary, wife of George Gardner, and now living in Indianapolis; Harriet, now Mrs. Kohlmann, living on a farm near Napoleon, Ind.; Katie, wife of John Lustig, a farmer of Napoleon, Ind.; Joseph, a farmer of Napoleon, Ind., Elizabeth, widow of George Bechtolt, living in Indianapolis; John, the subject of this sketch; Magdalena, widow of William Bresh, and now living in Illinois; Matthew, who died in middle life in Indianapolis; Nancy, now Mrs. Helm, and residing at Oden, Daviess county, Ind.; Andrew, who died at the age of fifteen; the other three died in early childhood.

The early life of the subject of this sketch was spent in farming and in learning the shoemaker's trade, at which he worked for some years, or until he established himself in his present retail liquor business, removing in 1882 to Indianapolis from the vicinity of Napoleon, Ind., where he had previously lived. He was married at Napoleon, in 1879, in St. Mauritius church, to Miss Maggie

Federspill, a native of Luxemburg, Germany. To this marriage there have been born five children, viz: Matilda, Edna and Joseph, who are still living, and Edward and John, whose deaths occurred when they were two and two and a half years old, respectively. Mr. and Mrs. Ebner and their children are members of St. Mary's church, of which the Rev. Father Scheideler is the pastor, and Mr. Ebner has been a member of St. Joseph's society for eleven years. Of this society he has been an officer seven years, and was its president one year. Mr. Ebner is more than usually active in both church and society work, and is a liberal contributor to the support of both. In business he has manifested great ability and has been successful, and in politics he is an uncompromising democrat, active in political affairs, and is an able and trusted counselor of his party. In all relations in life he has ever been true to principle, and is highly esteemed by all who know him.

Mr. Ebner's nephew, Rev. Father Adam Kohlmann, now of Evansville, Ind., was assistant rector of St. Mary's church in Indianapolis for four years. He is a scholarly gentleman, and is as well liked in his pastorate in Evansville, as he was in his assistant pastorate in Indianapolis.

GERHARD ITTENBACH, one of the most prominent and successful Catholic citizens of Indianapolis, settled here in the early days of the city's history. Few if any of this city's inhabitants are better known or more highly regarded than he. He was born at Koenigswinter, on the Rhine, Germany, March 28, 1828, and, after completing his education, served an apprenticeship to the stonecutter's trade. In 1848, when but twenty years of age, he came to the United States, his object being to earn money to provide for the support of his parents in their declining years, as they were not in affluent circumstances, and this filial object he achieved, becoming able to make them annual remittances. For a few months after arriving he worked at his trade in the state of Virginia. Removing to Cincinnati, Ohio, he remained there some time and then went to Pittsburg, Pa. After



GERHARD ITTENBACH



FRANK ITTENBACH



J.B. ITTENBACH



G.I. ITTENBACH

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a short residence there he again went to Cincinnati, and then to Madison, Ind., and at all of the places mentioned he worked at his trade. Residing in Madison, Ind., for about two years, he then came to Indianapolis in the interest of his employers, who sent him here to set the stone work in some of the important buildings of this place, among which, then in process of construction, were the asylum for the deaf and dumb, the old Bates house, and the asylum for the blind. While thus engaged he formed a partnership with his brother, Frank, and J. C. Schmid, and this firm purchased the interest of the employer of Mr. Ittenbach and established a business of their own, under the firm name of Schmid, Ittenbach & Co. The business of this firm was quite small at first, but it has grown to be one of the most important business enterprises in the city. Up to the time mentioned the sawing of stone was accomplished by hand, but Mr. Ittenbach at once introduced machinery, and thus established the first steam stone saw-mill in the city, and this is now the most extensive in its line, not only in Indianapolis but in the state. The firm remained as above constituted until 1879, when Mr. Schmid withdrew, the company being then known as G. Ittenbach & Co., which name it retained until the death of the brother, Frank Ittenbach, in 1886, after which the subject of this sketch assumed entire control. In 1893 he was succeeded by his sons, Frank, Gerhard L. and John B., who conducted the business with success until May 25, 1898, when Gerhard L. retired, but the business is still carried on under the same firm style.

Mr. Ittenbach was married in 1853, in Indianapolis, by the Rev. Father Brandt, to Miss Frances Schumacher, who was born in the same town with her husband. Forty-four years of married bliss was their portion, when death claimed Mrs. Ittenbach, November 10, 1897, when she was in her seventy-second year. While Mr. Ittenbach has always been a most industrious man and has had the control of large and important interests, yet he has never been unmindful of the interests of general society or of the church, and he has been looked upon for many years as one of the pillars of St. Mary's parish, to which he and his family belong. Uniting with the church in its early infancy, he has ever been

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ready to aid in its support and the advancement of its interests and its work, and he has lived to witness both the church and the city grow from small beginnings to their present size and importance.

Mr. and Mrs. Ittenbach have been blessed with seven children, six of whom are living, viz: The three sons already mentioned; Mary, wife of Jacob Dux; Josephine, wife of George Wolf, and Frances, wife of Joseph Bauer —and all six being residents of Indianapolis. Frank Ittenbach, eldest of the sons, was born in 1859, married Miss Bertha Monninger, of Indianapolis, and has three children, Lillie, Cecilia and Elmer. Gerhard L. was born in 1860, married Lena Rickenbach, and has two children, Helen and Leo; John B., the third son, was born in 1863, married Mary Siersdorfer, of Indianapolis, and has two living children, Carl and Robert, Lawrence, their first born, dying in infancy.

The sons, who manage this important stone-sawing industry, like their father, are among the most highly esteemed citizens and business men in the city, being enterprising, honest and reliable in every way in which these qualities can be manifested.

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JOHN ECKERT, an old-time business man of Logansport and a member of St. Joseph's Catholic church, was born in Doylestown, Wayne county, Ohio, December 11, 1854, a son of Ignatius and Barbara (Koechler) Eckert, both natives of Bavaria, Germany, but who came to the United States in early life, the father in 1848, and the mother later, and were married in Massillon, Ohio, whence they later moved to Doylestown, where they resided until 1858, when they came to Indiana and located in Huntington, where Ignatius, who was a bricklayer, followed contracting and brickmaking, and for a number of years conducted a grocery business. In 1868 Mr. Eckert brought his family to Logansport and here engaged at his trade, bricklaying, plastering and contracting, for several years. He accumulated a competency and died August 16, 1896, at the age of sixty-nine years and a devout member of the Catholic church, holding membership with St. Joseph's congregation, to which his widow still belongs. Of the ten children

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born to Ignatius Eckert and wife, seven are still living, viz: Catherine, widow of George Schubach, of Logansport; John, whose name opens this notice; Christian, a blacksmith of Logansport; Julia, wife of R. L. Veirs, of Omaha, Nebr.; Ignatius, a painter, of Chicago, Ill.; Rose, wife of Martin Barshop, and Lizzie, married to Charles Wecht, both of Logansport.

John Eckert was educated in the parochial schools of Huntington, Ind., and on coming to Logansport was first employed in a brickyard, but later learned the trade of plasterer. In 1875 he engaged in bartending, and August 13, 1881, began saloonkeeping on his own account, and now owns the well-appointed place on the northwest corner of Market and Third streets, which he purchased in 1884. June 30, 1881, he was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth Schneeberger, a native of Logansport and a daughter of Matthias Schneeberger, and this marriage was crowned with five children, of whom Rosa, the eldest, died in the fifth year of her age; the surviving four were born in the following order: William, February 20, 1884; Mamie, October 10, 1886; Agnes, August 11, 1889, and Lulu, April 2, 1892. Mrs. Elizabeth Eckert was early called from earth, dying a devout Catholic, December 7, 1896, at the age of thirty-six years. She had been an invalid for several years, but bore her sufferings with christian resignation and fortitude, augmented by her supreme reliance on the holy faith. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Father Koehne, of St. Joseph's church, to which congregation the family all belong, and of which Mrs. Eckert was a most devoted member.

The second marriage of Mr. Eckert took place November 23, 1897, at St. Joseph's church, Logansport, to Mrs. Eda M. E. Bucher, widow of Edward Bucher. She was born in this city July 27, 1863, a daughter of Joseph Seiter, and admitted to the Catholic church in 1886.

Mr. Eckert is a member of St. Joseph's Benevolent society, and of the Widows' and Orphans' branch; also of the American lay Knights of St. John, and of the Catholic Knights of America. In politics he is a democrat, but is no office seeker. He has made his own way through the world, as he commenced business, in 1881, with about \$100, but now owns his business stand, his superb

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residence at No. 224 Eel River avenue, and other city property, and one or more improved farms in Cass county. He is very popular with the public, and conducts one of the best-appointed and most orderly places of public resort in the city.

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**M**ICHAEL L. JEFFERSON, deputy assessor of Center township, Marion county, Ind., was born in New Paris, Ohio, January 13, 1864, a son of Michael and Mary (Quill) Jefferson, natives, respectively, of counties Mayo and Kerry, Ireland.

These parents came to America in their younger days and were married in Cincinnati, and after marriage lived for some years in Eaton, Ohio, whence they removed to New Paris, where the father, who was a farmer by occupation, died just prior to the birth of his sons, Michael L., and a twin brother, James. There were three children in the family, of whom the eldest, Anna Theresa, was a teacher in a parochial school and was a young lady of fine literary attainments. She was not only a successful teacher, but a poetess of much more than local reputation, but was called from earth at the age of twenty-six years, dying in Indianapolis, January 28, 1887. James Jefferson, twin of Michael L., is a clerk in the office of the Indianapolis Gas company, is married, but has no children. Mrs. Jefferson, the mother, resides in Indianapolis at the home of our subject, and supervises his household.

Michael L. Jefferson was educated in New Paris and was married, June 1, 1892, by Rev. Father O'Donaghue, to Miss Josie Shields, a native of Indianapolis, and of whose family a full record is made in the biography of Mrs. Bridget Shields, to be found on another page of this volume. Mr. Jefferson has had the sad misfortune of losing his beloved wife, who was called away by death February 13, 1897, in the faith of the Catholic church. She left behind her, to mourn her loss, beside her devoted husband, two interesting and intelligent children—Fidelia, aged four years, and Thomas, aged two.

Mr. Jefferson was appointed deputy assessor of Center town-



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ship, April 1, 1886, and has continuously held the position ever since. In August he was advanced to the position of chief clerk in the office of the assessor. He has served under three different administrations, and at one time was the only republican holding office in the court house, and this fact alone gives ample evidence of his ability and trustworthiness. The family are members of St. Patrick's church, and Mr. Jefferson is a member of the Young Men's institute, a fraternal and benevolent order fully recognized by the church; he is likewise a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and has always an open hand and heart for the aid of the suffering and needy and for the support of his church. He is universally respected, regardless of politics or church membership, and is well deserving of the high esteem in which he is held throughout the city.

**D**OMINICK J. EGAN, a native of county Roscommon, Ireland, and son of Dominick and Mary (King) Egan, was born on the sixteenth day of October, 1831. The father, also a native of the aforesaid county and a farmer by occupation, died in the year 1848, and the mother departed this life in 1836. They were the parents of fourteen children, thirteen sons and one daughter, the subject of this sketch being the only survivor of this large family, of whom he was next to the youngest.

Dominick J. Egan was reared to manhood on his native heath and received his education in what was known as French Park school, a private institution, under church jurisdiction. While young, he served an apprenticeship to the grocery business in the town of Ballaghaderin, and at the age of twenty-nine emigrated to the United States, locating, for one year, in Cincinnati, Ohio. From that city he removed to Rushville, Ind., with the mercantile interests of which place he was identified for about thirty years, during which time he met with encouraging success in handling different lines of goods. In 1891 Mr. Egan removed the unsold portion of his stock to Haughville, a part of Indianapolis, and here he has since continued his life-work as a grocer and dealer in provisions.

Mr. Egan was married in county Mayo, Ireland, in the year 1853, to Miss Maria A. Hurst, who has borne him eleven children, six living, viz: Patrick John, the eldest, is engaged in mercantile pursuits in New York city; Michael H. is a traveling salesman, residing in Indianapolis; Thomas Joseph is employed in his father's store; Edward Joseph is a resident of North Dakota; Henry Francis is a partner with his father, the firm title being Egan & Son, and the daughter, Nora Ellen, is also employed in the store.

Mr. Egan has always been active and earnest in the upholding of the church of his fathers; especially is this true of the church of the Immaculate Conception at Rushville. He was a member of the committee which purchased the grounds for the house of worship and cemetery, and also served on the building committee which constructed the building used for so many years by the congregation. A new church is now in process of construction on the site occupied by the original structure, and in order to perpetuate a deserving name and keep in memory the great interest he always manifested in the parish, it is proposed to pay Mr. Egan the graceful compliment of having his name cast in the bell, to be used in the new edifice.

Mr. Egan came to Haughville in time to assist materially in the organization of St. Anthony's parish, of which he is now one of the most substantial and devoted members, and to which his family also belong. He has been a life-long democrat, exercising an intelligent interest in the party's welfare, but has neither sought nor held official position outside of his church.

JEREMIAH EGAN, superintendent of Holy Cross cemetery, Indianapolis, has been a well-known and highly-respected citizen of this city for thirty years, or since 1868. He was born in county Cork, Ireland, in 1833, and comes of good old Irish stock, noted for its patriotism and enterprise. He is a son of Jeremiah Egan, who died when the subject of this sketch was fourteen years old. Mrs. Egan, the mother of the subject, survived her hus-



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band many years. They were the parents of eleven children, of whom only two survive, these two being Jeremiah and James, both residents of Indianapolis. Only one daughter belonging to this family attained mature years, and she adopted a religious life, becoming a Sister and dying in a convent at Middleton, county Cork. Of the entire family only Jeremiah and James ever came to the United States.

During the earlier years of his life Mr. Egan was engaged in various pursuits, but finally turned his attention to gardening, and was thus engaged for many years. Having decided to come to this country, he left Ireland in the spring of 1868, and in due time arrived at his destination, which was Indianapolis. It may be of interest to many to know just how this destination was determined upon. Mr. Egan met Dr. Fletcher, of Indianapolis, while the latter was traveling abroad, with his family, and in conversation with him regarding America was favorably impressed with the doctor's remarks about this city, and this conversation fully determined Mr. Egan to come directly here, which plan he had previously had in mind. For a good many years after becoming a resident of Indianapolis, Mr. Egan was engaged in gardening, and for about twenty years he was employed at the Indianapolis gas works. The duties of his present position he has performed since June 13, 1892.

Holy Cross cemetery is beautifully situated on high ground in the south part of the city, between Meriden street and Bluff avenue. It comprises about thirty acres and adjoins the German Catholic burying ground, which is similarly situated.

Mrs. Egan was formerly Miss Nora Ervin, born and reared in the city of Cork. She and her husband now live at No. 1559 Market street, Indianapolis, and of the seven children born to bless their home, five are still living—four sons and one daughter. Jeremiah, the eldest, is a trustee of Holy Cross parish. The others are David, Edward, Ervin P. and Mary Margaret. Nicholas died at the age of twenty-two years and Veronica when in her sixteenth year. Mr. Egan is one of the leading members of the church to which he belongs and is held in high esteem by all, no matter of what religious denomination.

REV. WILLIAM A. JOCHUM, pastor of St. Bernard's parish, Rockport, Spencer county, Ind., was born in Evansville, this state, June 30, 1873, the eldest of the three children born to Peter and Magdaline (Bengert) Jochum, natives of Germany, the former of whom died in Illinois in 1878.

Father Jochum attended the parochial schools of Evansville until 1887, after which he attended the famous educational institutions at St. Meinrad's in Spencer county, Ind., where he was educated for the priesthood and was ordained by Bishop Francis Silas Chatard, June 8, 1897. June 20 he read his first mass in St. Boniface's church, Evansville. Immediately thereafter he was stationed at Henryville, Ind., and had charge of two missions beside—those of Lexington and St. Michael's. His zealous labors in behalf of the spiritual welfare of his charge and his excellent financial management soon secured the recognition of his superiors, who, March 4, 1898, appointed him to his present position, upon the duties of which he has entered under the most auspicious circumstances, and in the incumbency of which his piety, zeal, scholarship and natural ability promise to redound, not only to his own credit, but to the glory of the church.

EDWARD X. EHINGER, assistant cashier of the Decatur National bank and a prominent member of St. Mary's church, is a native of Indiana, born February 22, 1861, in Columbia City, Whitley county. His ancestord, both paternal and maternal, were Germans, his father Florian Ehinger having been born in Singen, Baden, in the year 1835.

Florian Ehinger learned the tailor's trade in his native country, where he worked at the same until 1855, at which time he came to the United States, locating at Fort Wayne, Ind., where he secured employment for some time with Mr. Bostick. Subsequently he embarked in the clothing and merchant tailoring business at Columbia City, where he continued until his removal, in 1865, to Independence, Mo., whence, in 1872, he returned to Indiana, locating in Decatur. He was married October 3, 1859,





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to Elizabeth Schmith, who bore him the following children: Edward N., Charles P., Maggie (wife of J. H. Meyers), Robert A. and C. Otto.

The subject of this mention was educated at Independence, Mo., and Decatur, Ind., from 1871 to 1874, served as altar boy at St. Mary's church, and at the early age of fourteen accepted a clerical position in the Decatur post-office, the duties of which he discharged for a period of eight years. He then entered the employ of the Adams County bank, where he remained six years, when by reason of failing health he abandoned clerical work and took an extended trip to the Pacific coast.

Returning to Decatur, greatly improved, Mr. Ehinger engaged in the clothing business and merchant tailoring, under the firm name of Ehinger & Meyers, which partnership lasted until August 10, 1896, the subject retiring from mercantile pursuits at that time. At the present time he is filling, most acceptably, his former position in the bank, and his superior qualifications have won for him the unbounded confidence of the managers of that institution. Since 1893, Mr. Ehinger has served as treasurer of St. Mary's church, of which he is an active and most devoted member; and belongs to the St. Joseph society and the C. B. L. On the 13th of September, 1883, in St. Mary's church, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Ehinger and Miss Catherine E. Bremerkamp, Father Wilken officiating. Five children have been born to this union, viz: Thomas F., Edna E., Joseph Lawrence, Herbert H. and Leo. E.

REV. THOMAS F. EISENRING, C. PP. S., chaplain of St. Joseph hospital, Broadway and Main streets, Fort Wayne, Ind., was born November 1, 1844, in Germany, a son of John and Mary A. (Haene) Eisenring, and came to the United States November 1, 1866. He had attended the common schools in Europe, later attended and graduated from the seminary of Carthage, Ohio, and was ordained August 15, 1873, under archbishop J. B. Purcell, of Cincinnati. He said his first mass at Minster, Ohio, was stationed at Celina for two years, then in New Riegel, diocese of

Cleveland, for three years; then went to Europe, was stationed at Schelbenberg, diocese of Loire, for four years, and on his return to America officiated one year at Winamac, Ind., then six years at Maria Stein, in Ohio. He came to his present position December 3, 1889, where he has charge of the hospital, where there is accommodation for about 150 persons, and here has since filled the duties of his responsible position with ability and zeal.

REV. BERNARD EWERS, in charge of Sts. Peter and Paul's parish at Haubstadt, Gibson county, Ind., is a native of Germany, was born September 21, 1847, and is one of the four children born to Bernard and Mary Ewers, who came to America in 1857, landing at New Orleans. From the Crescent city the family came to Indiana and for a short time lived in Vanderburg county, whence they removed to Evansville, Ind., where the mother died July 13, 1881, and the father on the 10th day of August, 1890, both having been faithful and life-long members of the Holy Catholic church.

In his youthful days, the now Rev. Bernard Ewers was educated in the parochial school of St. Philip's, Posey county, and after due preparation was admitted to St. Meinrad's college, in Spencer county, where he passed four years in studying the classics, after which he passed two years in the college at Bardstown, Ky., in the study of the sciences. He then returned to St. Meinrad's, where he completed his theological studies, and was ordained priest August 10, 1874, by the Right Rev. Maurice de St. Palais, at that time bishop of the diocese of Vincennes. Father Ewers said his first mass at Evansville, Ind., in St. Mary's church, and then, without passing through the usual probationary routine of acting as an assistant, was placed in charge of St. Patrick's church, in North Madison, Jefferson county, Ind. To this parish were also attached two missions—St. Anthony, in Jefferson county, and the Immaculate Conception, at Vevay, Switzerland county. In this charge Father Ewers labored ardently and devotedly until 1882, doing more good work than can ever be recorded.



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Since 1882 Father Ewers has filled his present position at Haubstadt, ministering to the spiritual needs of 100 families. The school attached to this charge is presided over by three Benedictine Sisters, who have under their tuition about 100 pupils. The church-building is a noble structure and was erected in 1877 under the auspices of the Rev. George L. Widerin, now of North Vernon, at a cost of \$10,000, and the school-house was erected about 1860. Father Ewers has exercised great care over his charge since his incumbency, and by his kind and amiable disposition and profound learning and unostentatious piety, has won the confiding love of all under his ministrations.

GEORGE FAHLBUSH, grocer of Lawrenceburg, Dearborn county, Ind., is a son of Nicholas and Anna M. (Brandt) Fahlbush, who came to the United States from Germany in 1848, landing at New York, but who subsequently located on a farm in Dearborn county, Ind., where the mother died.

George Fahlbush was born May 6, 1854, in Lawrenceburg, attended common schools, was reared on a farm, and at the age of twenty-five engaged in the general merchandise business in Lawrenceburg. He was married to Barbara E. Siementek, of Indiana, by whom he had four children, of whom three are living, viz: George N., Harry and Florentine. All of the family are strict members of St. Lawrence church, and Mr. Fahlbush is a prominent member of the Catholic Knights of America, of which he was state secretary two terms—first at Logan two years, then at Vincennes. He has gained business success through his tact and industry, and now owns his corner store, with residence attached, and carries a well-selected stock of assorted merchandise, valued at \$3,000.

JAMES B. FALLEY, a prominent business man of LaFayette, is a native of New York, born in the town of Oswego Falls, that state, on the 26th of December, 1827. His parents, Lewis and

Frances (Baldwin) Falley, were both born in the Empire state and and there lived until 1841, when they came to Tippecanoe county, Ind., locating in LaFayette, in which city the father died in 1865. For a number of years he had been identified with the commercial interests of LaFayette, but retired from active life in 1860. Lewis and Frances Falley were the parents of the following children: Daniel, deceased; Samuel, deceased, Lewis, dealer in boots and shoes, LaFayette; Susan, widow of James Land; Joseph D., a resident of Chicago, and James B.

The subject of this biography was educated in the public schools of his native town, and until his majority assisted his father in the latter's mercantile establishment. At the age of twenty-two he engaged in the hardware business at LaFayette in partnership with H. C. Wagstaff, and the firm, thus constituted, lasted until 1855, when he effected a copartnership in the iron trade with his father. This lasted until 1862, at which time he became associated in the hardware and agricultural implement business with I. L. Beach, who continued as his partner until 1869, when, in company with George H. Drury, he organized the well-known hardware house of J. B. Falley & Co., with a stock representing a capital of \$20,000. This firm lasted until the retirement of Mr. Drury in 1887, after which, until 1894, it was known as the Falley Hardware company. In the latter year the present corporation, the Falley-Patton Hardware company, carrying a stock valued at \$10,000, was organized.

As may be readily inferred from the above, Mr. Falley is one of the enterprising commercial men of his city. He is characterized by a tenacity of purpose as rare as it is admirable, and possesses the peculiar faculty of molding circumstances to suit his ends rather than to be molded by them. He is withal a faithful member of the church, and finds time in the midst of his large business to attend to the claims of religion. He was married, December 2, 1850, in Terre Haute, Ind., to Miss Susan B. Kellogg, who was born in Dayton, Ohio, on the 10th of November, 1831. Mrs. Falley is the daughter of Phineas Kellogg, of Dayton, and has borne her husband the following children: Rev. James, of Huntington, Ind.; Frank, deceased; Dora, a madam of the Sacred Heart, deceased; Edward, a mechanic of LaFayette; Mary F.,

madam of Sacred Heart at New Orleans, where she has charge of the art department; Anthony, student at the Jesuit college, St. Louis, where he is preparing for the priesthood of that order, and Joseph, who fills an important clerkship in LaFayette. Mr. Falvey and wife are faithful members of St. Mary's church.

**T**IMOTHY FALVEY, residing at No. 712 East Morris street, Indianapolis, has been for many years an inhabitant of this city. He was born in New Market parish, county Cork, Ireland, December 15, 1848, and is a son of Timothy and Hannah (Cronan) Falvey, both of whom died in their native land. The Falvey family is an old and honorable one in Irish history, and in an earlier day the ancestors of the subject removed to county Cork from county Kerry. The only member of the immediate family of Mr. Falvey remaining in Ireland is a brother, John Falvey. Three sons grew to mature years, viz: Michael, a resident of the state of Kentucky; John and Timothy, the latter the subject of this sketch.

Timothy Falvey came to the United States in 1866, when he was eighteen years of age. For four years he resided at Cynthiana, Harrison county, Ky., coming thence, in 1870, to Indianapolis, where he has since resided. He was married, May 13, 1875, to Miss Catherine White, who was born at Bellefontaine, Ohio, her parents being Paul and Ellen White, both natives of county Kerry, and the maiden name of the latter being Curran. They are still residents of Bellefontaine, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Falvey have six children, five sons and a daughter, viz: Timothy Paul, John Michael, William Henry, Joseph Raymond, Mary Theresa, and Charles Leroy, all of whom were baptized in St. John's church in Indianapolis. From the time of his marriage until 1896, Mr. Falvey and his family resided on West McCarty street, removing to their present home in the latter year. Mr. Falvey is a member of Capitol council, No. 276, Young Men's institute. Mrs. Falvey is one of a family of five, two sons and three daughters, she being the oldest of the daugh-

ters. Of the sons, Michael is a resident of Indianapolis, and Daniel of Ridgeway, Colo. Of the daughters, Mary is a resident of Montpelier, Ind., and Julia, the youngest, lives at home. All are highly respected men and women.

**PATRICK EDWARD FANNING**, now the efficient electrician of the Indianapolis fire department, was born in Lancashire, England, May 5, 1857, but was a child of seven years of age when he came alone to America, in 1864, and joined an elder brother, John, in Edinburg, Ind.

Edward and Margaret (Conniff) Fanning, parents of Patrick Edward, were natives of county Mayo, Ireland, where their marriage took place, and where their eldest two children were born. From Ireland they moved to England, where there were born three children additional, the five being named, in order of birth, as follows: John, Mary, Patrick Edward, Bridget and James. The death of the father from pneumonia took place in Lancashire when he was fifty years old, and in 1876 the mother came to America and died in Edinburg, Ind., in 1882. John and James died in Indianapolis, and Bridget passed away in Edinburg, the remains of the mother, John and Bridget being interred at Edinburg, and those of James in Holy Cross cemetery in Indianapolis. Mary is married and resides in England.

Patrick E. Fanning remained at the home of his brother John until he attained man's estate, receiving, meanwhile, a good education in the common schools of Edinburg. At the age of about sixteen years he engaged as a lineman with the Western Union Telegraph company, with which he remained about fifteen years. In 1890 he was appointed electric line worker for the city fire department of Indianapolis, being placed in charge of the alarm system, but for two years during this interval was superintendent of telegraph under Mayor Sullivan.

The marriage of Mr. Fanning took place in Crawfordsville, Ind., September 4, 1894, at St. Bernard's church, when he was united by Rev. Father Crosson in the holy bonds of matrimony

with Miss Ellen O'Connor, who was born in Hendricks county, Ind., a daughter of Enos and Mary O'Connor, who resides on a farm near Crawfordsville, being descended from a pioneer family of the state. One son, Lawrence Edward, born October 6, 1896, has blessed this union. The family are members of Sts. Peter and Paul's church, although they habitually worship at St. John's, it being the more convenient. Mr. Fanning is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, in politics is a democrat, and as a citizen is upright, moral, temperate and greatly respected.

**H**ON. MICHAEL H. FARRELL, a very popular and highly respected citizen and a dealer in marble, granite, etc., at No. 208 West Washington street, Indianapolis, is a native of Cambridge City, Ind., was born April 22, 1854, and is a son of Dominick and Katherine (Powell) Farrell, the former a native of county Longford, and the latter of county Tipperary, Ireland.

These parents came to America single and were married in Richmond, Ind. Dominick Farrell was a contractor in railroad work and assisted in constructing the first telegraph line in the west, and also constructed three sections of the Panhandle railway. They had born to them four children, viz: Francis, Thomas, Michael H. and Margaret. Of these, Francis is a telegraph operator in Chicago, Ill.; Thomas is an engineer on the Big Four railway, with his residence in St. Louis, Mo.; Michael H. is the gentleman with whom this memoir will have most to do, and Margaret is deceased. Both parents ended their days in the Catholic faith in Cambridge City, the mother dying in 1886, aged seventy-four, and the father in 1889, at the age of seventy-nine years.

Michael H. Farrell was educated in the public schools of his native city, there learned the marblecutter's trade, and there grew to manhood. In 1880 he came to Indianapolis and opened his marble yard, in which he now gives constant emoloyment to four men. He at once formed a connection with the democratic party of Indianapolis, having been a member of the same in Cambridge City, became very popular, and on this ticket was elected to the state

legislature in 1884, served from 1885 to 1887, and was especially active and earnest in pressing several bills through that august body. He also served as a member of the city board of aldermen from 1889 until 1891, or until its abrogation, and in 1890 was elected a member of the board of county commissioners, in which he served three years. Since that time he has not aspired to official position, yet has taken an active part in promoting the success of his party at each succeeding election. He now devotes his entire time and attention to his business affairs, which he never neglected at any time, but during his whole official career gave to it his personal and close supervision.

The marriage of Mr. Farrell took place at Cambridge City, October 11, 1877, to Miss Theressa Metz, Rev. J. B. Kelly officiating. Mrs. Farrell is a native of Hamilton county, Ohio, and has blessed her husband with five children, viz: Catherine, Francis, Edward, Thomas and Vincent. The family are members of St. Bridget's church, under the pastorate of Rev. D. Curran, and are a representative family in church, social and political circles. Mr. Farrell, by close attention to his business and through skill, industry and thrift, has secured a fair competence, and the productions of his yard are unsurpassed for excellent workmanship by any in the state of Indiana.

REV. JOHN F. KUBACKI, pastor of St. Joseph's church at Reynolds, White county, Ind., was born in Milwaukee, Wis., November 20, 1868, and is a son of Thomas and Victoria (Brzezinska) Kubacki, natives of Poland, who, shortly after their marriage, came to the United States in 1867. Of their fourteen children, the Rev. John F. is the second in order of birth.

Rev. John F. Kubacki began his literary studies at the Jesuit college, of St. Mary's, Kans., continued them at St. Francis' seminary, Milwaukee, and completed his theological course at Mount St. Mary's seminary, Cincinnati, Ohio. June 19, 1894, he was ordained by Archbishop Elder, and his first station was at North Judson, Starke county, Ind., where he remodeled the church and





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rectory and also attended St. Pierre and Knox missions, in Starke county, until November, 1896, when he was appointed to Reynolds. Here his labors have been quite arduous, as he had charge not only of St. Joseph's congregation and its regular missions of Francesville and Medarysville in Pulaski county, and the stations of Monon and Monticello in White county, but also, until a resident priest was appointed, attended to North Judson and its mission of San Pierre, and the station at Knox, in Starke county. Although but thirty years of age, Father Kubacki has shown himself to be capable of doing a vast amount of creditable work, and has made for himself an excellent reputation with his people, to whose interests he is entirely devoted and by whom he is devotedly beloved.

**J**OHAN FANNING, of the firm of Fanning & Co., of Montgomery, Ind., is a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, was born September 8, 1843, and is the second of the six children born to Thomas and Bridget (Reilly) Fanning, natives of county Leitrim, Ireland, but married in America.

Thomas Fanning was born in 1813, was well educated by the Dominican friars in an old monastery in the county of Galway, and came to the United States in 1838. He first located at Auburn, N. Y., where he met and married Miss Reilly, who was born in 1811 and came to America in 1836. Shortly after marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Fanning removed to Cincinnati, Ohio, and about 1853 came to Daviess county, Ind., where his death occurred in 1871, a truly honored citizen. Mrs. Fanning was a lady of many christian and social virtues, lived to reach the advanced age of eighty-three years, and died in 1893. Both were members of St. Patrick's congregation, and their remains rest side by side in St. Patrick's cemetery, where a beautiful monument marks their final resting place. The children born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fanning were named, in order of birth, as follows: Mary, now the wife of John Roarty, an agriculturist of Daviess county; John, the subject of this biographical notice; Ellen, wife of John Doyle, a farmer of Martin county; Frank, who died May 23, 1893, a

farmer; James H., a merchant, of Montgomery, and Kate, wife of Thomas Reilly, of Daviess county.

John Fanning, whose name stands at the opening of this article, was but ten years of age when brought by his parents to Daviess county, and this has since been his home, with the exception of one year, which was passed in a visit to his native city. He received a good common-school education, and was confirmed, in 1857, by Bishop de St. Palais. He grew to manhood in Reeve township, Daviess county, and November 15, 1887, married Miss Margaret Grannan, daughter of Patrick and Phebe Ann (Mullen) Grannan, of whom further mention is made in the life sketch of Patrick E. Grannan, and the happy union of Mr. and Mrs. Fanning has been blessed with four children, of whom two, however, are deceased. Of the surviving two, Mary Bridget, the elder-born, is a student in St. Peter's parochial school, and Rose is the younger.

In October, 1893, Mr. Fanning brought his family to Montgomery, and here engaged in the hardware and agricultural implement business in partnership with Patrick E. Grannan, under the present firm style of Fanning & Co., and through his strict integrity, affable deportment and a sincere desire to please by furnishing his patrons with the precise articles needed, and nothing else, he has built up an extensive and increasing trade, and a lasting one.

In politics Mr. Fanning is a staunch democrat and cast his first presidential vote for George B. McClellan, in 1864. In 1874 and 1875 he served as assessor of Reeve township, was trustee of the township in 1878 and 1880, and from 1882 to 1888 was county commissioner of Daviess county. He is now treasurer of the public school board of Montgomery, and that he is loyal to his party and competent as an official is well evidenced by his long continuance in office.

As a Catholic Mr. Fanning is one of the leading members of St. Peter's congregation of Montgomery, which is the second oldest parish in the state. For years he was an ardent admirer of the late revered Father Piers, who was pastor here for forty-eight years, and he has been an eye-witness of the remarkable growth of Catholicity in and around Montgomery, and has himself always

been prominent in promoting this growth. Both Mr. and Mrs. Fanning stand high in the esteem of the congregation of St. Peter's as well as that of the beloved pastor, Rev. P. Rowan, and are very liberal in their contributions to the support of the church. As early as 1851 Mr. Fanning made his pledge to Father Mathew, the famous apostle of temperance, never to use intoxicants in any form, and this pledge he has sacredly kept. No family to-day stands higher in the respect of the citizens of Montgomery than that of Mr. Fanning, and as a business man no one is more greatly honored than he.

JAMES H. FANNING, the leading dry-goods merchant of Montgomery, Ind., is a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, was born December 27, 1855, a son of Thomas and Bridget (Reilly) Fanning, of whom full mention is made in the biographical sketch of John Fanning, which precedes this notice.

James H. Fanning was a babe of eighteen months when brought to Daviess county by his parents, and here, at the proper age, he was placed in the public school, and later studied for two years in the normal school at Washington, Ind. He was confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais in 1867, and until 1875 his life was passed on the farm, and he then began the vocation of school-teacher in the public schools of St. Patrick's parish, and for four and a half years taught in the vicinity of Alfordsville. He then passed six months in merchandizing in the village mentioned, and then came to Montgomery in the latter part of 1880. In 1881 he purchased the building in which he still conducts his business, and now carries a full line of dry goods, hats, caps, boots, shoes, groceries, queensware, and, in fact, all the commodities that constitute the stock of a first-class village general store. Through his uniform courtesy and fair, square methods of conducting his business, he has won the confidence of the people, and the volume of his transactions at present reaches at least \$5,000 per annum.

Mr. Fanning was first married, in 1876, to Miss Maggie Farrell, a native of Daviess county, and this marriage was blessed with one child, John J., who is now associated with his father in

business. This promising young man was educated by Father Curran in Latin and German, as well as in his religious duties, but was confirmed, at the age of ten years, by Bishop Chatard. He is an excellent accountant and a young man of most pleasing address and an able assistant to his father. Mrs. Maggie Fanning was called away October 10, 1878, dying a faithful Catholic, and in November, 1897, Mr. Fanning was united in matrimony with Miss Lucy Gates, also a native of Daviess county and a daughter of William and Catherine M. Spalding) Gates. She was confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais, and is devoted to the faith, being, with her husband, a member of St. Peter's congregation.

In politics Mr. Fanning was originally a democrat and cast his first presidential vote for Samuel J. Tilden in 1876, but he is now a populist, and in the presidential campaign of 1896 supported William Jennings Bryan on the free-silver platform. Personally, he has served as trustee of his township, having been appointed to the office in 1885; he also served as a justice of the peace for four years, and at present holds a notary-public's commission.

Mr. Fanning is what is usually termed a self-made man. He began his business life with a very limited capital, but his business capacity, industry and good management have brought him an enviable prosperity. Beside his business block, he owns his residence and eighty acres of fertile land in Barr township, and is in altogether comfortable circumstances. He has been extremely liberal in his contributions to the support of his church, and the social relations of himself and family are all that any mortal might desire.

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JAMES H. KEENAN is a member of St. Anthony's parish and a representative Catholic citizen of Indianapolis. His father, Thomas Keenan, was born in Monaghan county, Ireland, in the year 1815, and there grew to manhood, learning the trade of stonemason. In 1850 Thomas Keenan married Miss Ann Hanlon, a native of the same county.

Lawrence Keenan, the father of Thomas, and John Hanlon, the father of Ann, were prominent, well-to-do and highly respected



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farmers, possessing more of this world's goods than fell to the lot of the majority of their countrymen of those days. Mr. Hanlon, particularly, was a man of much ability and energy, and was very prosperous. Both were devout Catholics, leading lives of exceptional purity and uprightness, and were earnest workers in the cause of religion in their respective parishes. They reared and educated their children with extreme care, and had the satisfaction of seeing them develop into good men and women and practical Catholics. Ann was the oldest child of John Hanlon, and inherited in a marked degree her father's natural ability, force of character and high sense of honor, as well as fine personal appearance. Soon after their marriage Thomas Keenan and his young wife came to the United States, locating in Providence, R. I., where he engaged in contracting for stone work.

In 1857 Mr. Keenan, with his family, removed to Cannelton, Ind., where he resided for a number of years, and in which city he acquired much local prominence and accumulated considerable property. In 1883 he and wife came to Indianapolis at the solicitation of their two sons, who had previously become residents of the Capital city, and here they made their home with their sons until death; the father passed away in 1886 and the mother followed him to the grave the year after. Their remains are buried in the Catholic cemetery at Cannelton.

Thomas Keenan was a man of good education, correct habits, the strictest integrity, was very affable in manner, and was highly esteemed by all who knew him. He was often importuned to accept nominations for political offices, but always declined, having, as he said, an aversion to the methods used in electioneering, though feeling deeply grateful for the expressions of confidence and good will from his fellow-citizens. There was one office, however, which he held for many years—that of trustee of St. Patrick's church, at Cannelton, and was also treasurer of the parish most of the time that he was a trustee. He was always active in all work connected with the church. Mrs. Keenan, also, was zealous in church work; she was, however, exceedingly domestic in her tastes and habits, being a model wife and mother, always striving to make home pleasant and attractive, devoting unusual attention

to her children and seeing to it that they received a thorough Christian education and training. Mr. and Mrs. Keenan were the parents of five children, three sons and two daughters; but of these three died in childhood: Mary at the age of three years, Lawrence, aged six, and Anna at the age of five. James H. and John C. are the only surviving members of the family, the latter being now a resident of Joplin, Mo., and cashier of the Joplin National bank.

The subject of this sketch, James H. Keenan, was born in Providence, R. I., September 22, 1853, and was four years old when the family moved to Indiana. He attended the parochial schools for a period of six years and then entered the public schools of the city, from which in due time he was graduated with the honors of his class. He finished his education at St. Meinrad's college, Ind. Both at school and college he was well liked by teachers and students, being considered a perfect student, especially in application to studies and gentlemanly deportment. While very earnest, thoughtful and reserved, he was uniformly kind and courteous to all. When barely twenty-one years of age, he was elected, having been nominated against his wishes, city clerk of Cannelton by a large majority over one of the most popular citizens of the town. He discharged the duties of the clerkship with commendable ability and general satisfaction.

At the expiration of his official term, he was urgently pressed by his friends to become a candidate for county auditor, the most important and remunerative office in the county, the nomination for which he could have easily secured, and his election would have been almost certain, owing to his political party having a decided majority in the county. While appreciating the fact that the nomination alone, even though an election might not be possible, would be a great honor to so young a man, and feeling gratified at such marked kindness and confidence on the part of his friends, he nevertheless positively declined to permit his name to be presented to the convention. He, like his father, had, and still has, a dislike for political office-holding, or rather the methods almost universally practiced by candidates in their contests for office. He then engaged in educational work, for which he was

peculiarly fitted by reason of his superior scholastic attainments, exemplary habits and reputation as a practical and consistent Christian. He taught in the public schools of Cannelton for two years, after which he was chosen principal of the Jasper (Ind.) high school. So successful was he in the latter position, and so popular did he become with the school trustees and citizens of Jasper generally, that a private purse was raised and a handsome sum subscribed and guaranteed by the most prominent men of the town to add to his salary as an inducement for him to continue in charge of the schools the second year. As he had determined to discontinue teaching, however, never having intended to follow it as a life-work, he declined the flattering offer.

Having decided to enter the drug and apothecary business, Mr. Keenan went to Louisville, Ky., and accepted a position in one of the leading prescription drug stores of that city. With the practical experience here obtained in the laboratory and prescription case, supplemented by the instruction received in a full course at the college of Pharmacy, he mastered the pharmaceutical profession. He then removed to Indianapolis and for some time thereafter held the position of a dispensing pharmacist, after which he embarked in business for himself. He disposed of his store after a three years' proprietorship and accepted a lucrative and responsible position in the prescription department of the drug house of Browning & Sloan, Indianapolis, continuing with the firm until 1891, when he resigned to become deputy clerk of the Indiana supreme court.

Upon retiring from that office, Mr. Keenan resumed the drug business, purchasing the Masonic Temple pharmacy, on the corner of Washington street and Capitol avenue, Indianapolis, where he conducts an establishment which is a pharmacy in fact as well as in name. He permits no liquors of any kind to be sold, except what is dispensed upon the prescriptions of reputable physicians. Having received an unusually thorough pharmaceutical education and training in the beginning, and having devoted much time since to the study of all branches pertaining to the profession, he is a very able and expert chemist and pharmacist, and, as such, has the confidence of physicians and the public. He devotes espe-

cial attention to the compounding of prescriptions, having a large trade in that line as well as the other legitimate apothecary business. In addition to pharmacy he has given much study to medicine. In fact his knowledge of pharmacy, chemistry and medicine is so extensive that the members of those professions always speak to him and of him as Doctor Keenan.

Knowing that he had given several years to educational work, and still took great interest in the schools and every movement in the cause of education, also that he was a man of sound judgment, strong convictions and conscientious devotion to duty, many leading citizens of his school district, irrespective of politics or religious creed, in 1884 strongly urged him to become a candidate for school commissioner of that district, the Seventh, they deeming him especially fitted for that position of honor and responsibility. There is no salary attached to the office. As up to this time the question of politics had never been considered in connection with that office and no electioneering being done, citizens voting unsolicited for the man whom they considered best qualified for the place, he consented to be a candidate. His competitor, E. P. Thompson, then assistant postmaster of Indianapolis, and his friends made a very bitter fight against Mr. Keenan, making a thorough canvass of the district and appealing strongly to political and religious prejudice, especially the latter. They resorted to methods that had never before been practiced in the school elections of the city. Prior to that time there had never been a Catholic on the Indianapolis school board. Many non-Catholics, who had voted against Mr. Keenan, said they recognized his fitness for the office, owing to his high personal character and education, and all other qualifications, and would be only too glad to vote for him for any other office than one which gave him a voice in the control of the public schools; but that, as he was a zealous Roman Catholic, they could not conscientiously vote for him for that position. Mr. Keenan did no electioneering, and was defeated by a small majority.

In 1890 Mr. Keenan was united in marriage to Miss Bridget Mungovan, daughter of the late Michael J. Mungovan, a prominent contractor of Louisville, Ky. Mrs. Keenan, is, however, a

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native of Richmond, Va., her maternal grandparents being the late Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Markham, of that city. Mrs. Keenan is a sweet, winsome lady, of refined tastes, gentle manners and amiable disposition, who endears herself to everybody with whom she comes in contact. Her mind and time are almost entirely absorbed in her pleasant and happy home. She is idolized by her husband and children, and ought to be, for a more devoted and loving wife and mother cannot be found. Her husband says their marriage was a genuine love match, and their domestic experience the fullest realization of the lover's dream. Mr. and Mrs. Keenan have two children, George Mungovan and James Hanlon.

Personally, Mr. Keenan is an affable and courteous gentleman of much culture, though very modest and unassuming in manner and appearance. As a citizen he is esteemed and respected. He is active in the work of the church and finds time from his many business affairs to attend to the higher claims of religion. His happiest hours, however, are those spent at his home, surrounded by his family and books. He still takes a deep interest in public and parochial schools and educational matters generally. He is a member of the Indiana Pharmaceutical society, the American Pharmaceutical association, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the Catholic Knights of America and the Young Men's institute.

REV. DAVID KERSTING, O. F. M., is one of a family of four brothers and one sister, and a son of Anthony and Catherine (Doeren) Kersting, natives of Germany, who are both now deceased, the father dying May 10, 1877, and the mother in February, 1882.

Rev. David Kersting was born in Germany September 5, 1847, and came to the United States in February, 1873. He studied for the priesthood in the college at Paderborn, Germany, for three years, and afterward attended St. Francis college, of Cincinnati, Ohio, for one-half year, was invested August 19, 1873, and ordained September 21, 1877. He said his first mass at St. Francis church, at Cincinnati, the 30th of September, and was

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located from 1877 to 1880 in St. John's church; from 1880 to 1890 he was pastor of the church of the Sacred Heart, of Detroit, Mich.; from 1891 he was stationed at Batesville, then took charge of the Holy Family church of Oldenburg, succeeding Rev. Lucas Gottbehoede, O. F. M., in LaFayette, Ind. His congregation numbers about 212 families, and the Reverend Father has done noble and faithful work since he has had charge of this flock, as he had previously done elsewhere.

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**R**OBERT WILLIAM FARRELL, of Vincennes, Ind., and a trusted employee of the B. & O. railroad company, was born in county Wexford, Ireland, June 14, 1851, and was brought to America by his parents, Patrick and Margaret (Lanen) Farrell, in the year 1852.

The family located at St. Peters, Daviess county, Ind., where the father found employment with the O. & M. railroad, but, sad to relate, was killed in that employ, November 29, 1862. The mother now resides in Washington, Ind., and is a devout Catholic, and ever attentive to her religious duties, as was her deceased husband. The children that blessed Patrick and Margaret Farrell were eight in number, and were born in the following order: Mary, still with her mother; Josephine, the wife of James McTaggart, a farmer, of Washington, Ind.; Robert W., the subject of this sketch; Catherine, wife of Richard Baker, formerly of Vincennes, but now employed in the B. & O. shops at Washington; James, employed in the boiler department of the same company at the place last named and married to Lizzie Paul; Bridget, who was married to Edward Wicks and died at the age of thirty-two years, in Washington; Margaret is the wife of John Hand, an employee in the B. & O. railroad shops at Washington; and Ellen Theressa, who is married to William Sock, of Medora, Ind.

Robert W. Farrell was educated in the public schools of St. Peter's, and first found work as a farm lad, but in 1864 began his railroad life as water-boy, and from that date until the present has steadily advanced, until reaching his present position, which he has

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filled for the past twenty-seven years—a just reward for faithful and continuous services, and affording a record but seldom equaled.

Mr. Farrell was most happily married, May 5, 1874, at St. Joseph's church, Washington, Ind., to Miss Ellen T. McGuire, who was born in Pendleton county, Ky., March 29, 1853, a daughter of James and Bridget (Moran) McGuire, a native of county Mayo, Ireland—the former born in 1812 and the latter in 1814. Mrs. McGuire is still living and resides in Washington, Ind., and of her six children, besides Mrs. Farrell, Timothy lives in Washington, James and Mrs. Mary McCarthy reside in Denver, Colo., Mrs. Kate McFeely lives in Cincinnati, Thomas is a resident of Painesville, Mo., and Hugh is in Bedford, Ind. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Farrell has been blessed with ten children—Annie, Edwin, Ethel, Gertrude, James, Katie, Hugh, Grace, Marie and Joseph, all still under the parental roof, forming a large, but very happy family, and all within the fold of St. Francis Xavier's congregation.

Mr. Farrell is a member of St. Francis branch, No. 256, Catholic Knights of America, of which he is recording secretary, and also a member of the Section Foremen brotherhood, a beneficiary society. In politics he is quite independent, voting for men best capable of filling office, belonging to what party they may. He is honest to the core, and as an honest man and sincere Catholic has won the respect of all who know him.

DANIEL FEATHERSTONE, a long-time resident of Indianapolis, has his home at No. 802 South Delaware street. Since 1895 he has lived within the limits of St. Patrick's parish, but previously thereto he was a resident of St. John's parish for several years. He was born in Jennings county, Ind., in 1848, and is a son of Jeremiah and Anna Featherstone, early settlers of that county, who located there at least as early as 1836.

Jeremiah Featherstone was a native of county Roscommon, Ireland, in which county he served an apprenticeship to the stonemason's trade, and in the early railroad days of Indiana he was

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employed on the construction of the J. M. & I. railroad, building the culverts. Several years after his marriage to Miss Anna Corcoran, which took place in Ireland, he emigrated to the United States, and lived in the state of Indiana until his death, which occurred October 12, 1883. His widow died at her home in Indianapolis, March 15, 1897. She was born November 12, 1796, and she therefore had passed the century mark some time before her death, her exact age at the time of her demise being one hundred years, four months and three days. At that time she was the oldest person in Indianapolis, and was in many ways a most remarkable woman, retaining her physical powers and mental faculties to a singular degree. She was the mother of nine children, five of whom survive her, viz: Mrs. Catherine McGowen; Mrs. Mary Ann Thornton; James, of Springfield, Ohio, a veteran of the war of the Rebellion; Ellen and Daniel. The deceased were named John, the eldest son of the family, who died at Dayton, Ohio, several years ago; Jeremiah, who served in the war of the Rebellion, and died in Indianapolis, September 24, 1864, as the result of army service; Mrs. Sarah Combs, who died August 15, 1882, and Margaret, who died at the age of eighteen years. The children, like their parents, are all worthy members of the Catholic church and highly-esteemed citizens.

Daniel Featherstone and his sister Ellen reside at the location above given. Daniel follows the occupation of a watchman. He has three children, two sons and a daughter, Lucy, Jeremiah and William. The former two are in Jennings county, Ind., and the last is with his father. He has been a student at St. Mary's academy for seven years, and is now fifteen years of age, having been born in August, 1882. Mr. Featherstone is a most worthy citizen, and is a highly-esteemed member of the Young Men's institute.

REV. FRANCIS PETER FAUST, of Ege, Ind., was born at Fort Wayne, Ind., February 19, 1868, and is a son of Francis and Catherine Schulz Faust, who were respectively born in Germany in 1833 and 1843.



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Francis Faust was educated in the parochial schools of his native archduchy Hessa, which he attended until thirteen years old, and then learned the carpenter's trade, at which he worked, in his native land, until 1862, when he came to America, landing in New York, from which city he came direct to Fort Wayne, Ind., where he died in 1878. In 1867 he married, in Fort Wayne, Miss Shulz, the result of the union being four children, of whom two only are still living—John and Francis Peter.

Rev. F. P. Faust attended the parochial schools of Fort Wayne until thirteen years of age, and after further preparation entered Mount Calvary college, Fond du Lac county, Wis., at the age of fifteen, and there followed a classical course of four years; in 1887 he entered Mount St. Mary's college, at Cincinnati, Ohio, from which he graduated in 1892, and on June 22, of the same year, was ordained in the priesthood by Bishop Elder, of that city, receiving an appointment, immediately afterward, as pastor of Auburn parish, Ind., attending Albion and Butler as missions. In December, 1895, he was appointed by Bishop Rademacher as assistant pastor at Huntington, and there he became a great favorite with his parishioners and rendered most efficient aid to his superior. In November, 1897, he was given temporary charge of the church of the Immaculate Conception, B. V. M., situated at Ege, Noble county, Ind., and here he still officiates.

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REV. HENRY FEIN, pastor of St. Patrick's church, North Madison, Jefferson county, Ind., was born in New Albany, Ind., on the 15th day of November, 1865. His parents were Peter and Veronica (Reich) Fein, natives of Germany, born in Nassua and Baden respectively. They were married in New Albany shortly after coming to the United States, and the father died in 1893, aged sixty-three years. The mother is still living, making her home with the subject.

Father Fein received his early education at St. Mary's parish school, New Albany, and later attended St. Meinrad's, where he was a classmate of Fathers Dowd, Byrne, Boersig, Moss and Roell,

all of whom have since become widely known in Indiana. He received minor orders January 15, 1888, was made deacon February following, and was ordained priest September 22, of the same year, by Bishop Chatard, of Vincennes. Father Fein celebrated his first mass at St. Mary's church, New Albany, the day following his ordination, and on the 4th of October, 1888, was given charge of the congregation at Rockport, where for some time he exercised the functions of his holy office by reason of the indisposition of the resident pastor. In 1889 he was sent to St. Mark's parish, Perry county, in addition to which he also ministered to the missions of St. John's, St. Peter's, Derby and St. Joseph's, erecting temples of worship for the last-named places in the meantime. From St. Mark's, Father Fein was transferred to North Madison as pastor of St. Patrick's parish, his present charge, a congregation small in number, consisting of about forty families, but which, under his fostering care, has made substantial progress in spiritual things. He also ministers to St. Anthony's church, China, and St. Mary's, Vevay, and devotes all his energies for the good of his people.

Father Fein is an earnest and deeply pious pastor and impressive speaker, and has accomplished great good in the different parishes where he has labored. He is in the prime of life, and, judging by the past, he has before him a future of much usefulness to the church.

JOHN FEITEN, for many years a leading business man of Mishawaka, St. Joseph county, Ind., is a native of the village of Demerath, Germany, was born February 3, 1840, and is a son of John F. and Anna Marie (Stultz) Feiten. The father was born in 1810, was educated in a parochial school and reared to farming. He was married in the church of SS. Peter and Paul, Demerath, in 1839, and there died in 1841, leaving his widow with one child, John, the subject of this memoir. Mrs. Anna M. Feiten's second marriage took place in Demerath, in 1849, when she became the wife of John Hauprichs, to whom she has borne one child, Joseph, now a resident of Mishawaka, Ind.

John Feiten attended the parochial school of his native village

until thirteen years old, when he was brought to America by his mother and step-father, landing in New York, and coming direct to Mishawaka, reaching this city June 29, 1853. Young Feiten was here apprenticed to cabinetmaking and chairmaking, at which he was employed for several years, and in 1865 engaged in the undertaking and furniture business, in which he has made a decided success, although his stock was destroyed by fire in 1872—a misfortune which, however, he speedily overcame and recommenced his trade with augmented vigor.

Mr. Feiten was united in marriage, in 1866, at Decatur, Ill., by Rev. Father Vogt, to Miss Isabella Black, the union being now blessed with four children, viz: Nellie, Mary and Eugene, at home, and Gertrude, wife of W. P. O'Neill, editor of the Mishawaka Democrat. Mr. Feiten was born a Catholic, and as early as 1853 served as altar boy in an old frame house in the northeast end of Mishawaka for Father Sorin, the founder of Notre Dame college; November 10, 1867, he assisted in organizing St. Joseph's Mutual Benefit society, of which he is one of the charter members, of whom there were twenty-eight, but of these there are now only eight living, viz: August Herzog, John Giller, George Kuhn, George Christopher, John and Peter Webber, F. N. Krantz and John Feiten, our subject. Mr. Feiten and family are members of St. Joseph's congregation, are generous in their contributions to church purposes, and hold a high place in the esteem of their neighbors and the citizens of Mishawaka in general.

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JOHN FERNKAS was born April 3, 1863, in Bendersbach, canton Willer, on the Rhine, Bavaria, Germany, son of Jacob and Albona (Siefried) Fernkas, natives of the same country. Jacob Fernkas is a retired miller in Bavaria; the wife died there some years ago. The family of Jacob and Albona Fernkas consisted of five sons and two daughters, viz: Henry, Katie, John, Jacob, Adam (deceased), Philip and Maggie, only two of whom, Henry and the subject, are residents of the United States.

John was educated in the country of his nativity and then

served an apprenticeship at the printer's trade, which he followed in Bavaria for a period of six years. In 1882, when twenty years of age, he came to the United States, locating at Indianapolis, where he learned barbering, at which he has since worked, having had charge of his present shop, 195 Howard street, since 1889. He was united in marriage in Indianapolis October 25, 1887, with Miss Caroline Measel, of Cincinnati, born February 7, 1868, who has borne him two children Maggie, born April 28, 1888, and Andrew, born September 17, 1890. Mrs. Fernkas' parents are natives of Bavaria, Germany, and she is the eldest of ten children, of whom seven are living, viz: Caroline, Andrew, Elizabeth, Margaret, Albert, Louise and John Measel; those deceased are Henry, William and Jacob Measel. All except Mrs. Fernkas were born in Indianapolis, in which city those surviving at present reside. With the exception of Mrs. Fernkas, their mother, they are members of St. Mary's church; Mr. Fernkas and family belong to the Church of the Assumption, of which they are active workers. Mr. Fernkas is a member of the Y. M. I., and also belongs to a German order called the Feltzesverein. Politically he is an ardent supporter of the democratic party.

**ALBERT KNABE.**—Prominent among the older members of St. Andrew's church, Richmond, is Albert Knabe, a native of Germany, whose birth occurred in Twistering on the 6th day of November, 1810, a son of Casper and Mary (Idels) Knabe.

After obtaining a good education in the schools of his native town, Albert Knabe was variously employed until his twenty-first year, at which time, thinking that America offered superior inducements to young men, he sailed for the United States, landing in Baltimore, Md., in 1831. From that city he proceeded to Wheeling, W. Va., where he secured a position as gardener, but left in a few months, going to Maysville, Ky., near which place he worked a little less than a year on the Lexington turnpike. Subsequently he went to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he was variously employed until 1833, when he moved to Franklin county, Ind., where, for a



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period of nine years, he was engaged in merchandizing as a grocer. Disposing of his stock at the end of that time, Mr. Knabe returned to Cincinnati, where he remained until his removal, in 1861, to Wayne county, Ind., where for three years he followed agricultural pursuits. He afterward went back to Cincinnati and purchased a home, but did not long remain in that city, moving thence to Brookville, Ind., and, a few months later, to Richmond, where for several years he was engaged in the grocery business on South Fifth street. After a long and active career, meeting with many successes and some few reverses, Mr. Knabe, several years ago, retired from the busy cares of life and is now spending his declining years in the enjoyment of that quiet which only those who have battled so long with the world know how to appreciate. His first marriage was solemnized in the Fifth Street church, Cincinnati, in 1836, with Mary Lammers, who bore him three children: Joseph, deceased; Frank, and Dena, wife of J. H. T. Brockamp. The mother of these children died September 10, 1881, and in 1882, in Covington, Ky., Mr. Knabe entered into the marriage relation with his present wife, whose maiden name was Mary Drepleman. Mr. and Mrs. Knabe are devout parishioners of St. Andrew's congregation at Richmond, ever dutiful to the claims of the Holy church and active in all of its charities and labors of love.

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**J**OHAN B. FERSTL, a popular business man of South Bend, Ind., was born in Bavaria, Germany, December 4, 1845, a son of John B. and Barbara (Pottner) Ferstl, both parents having been born in 1805, married by Rev. Father Hotter in 1835, and dying in 1887 and 1849, respectively, their remains now resting side by side in the Catholic cemetery in the parish of Lupburg, Bavaria. The father, who could trace his ancestry back 500 years, was a farmer and brewer, and died one of the most respected of the inhabitants of his section of Bavaria.

John B. Ferstl, the subject of this biography, attended the parochial school of his native parish until fourteen years of age, and then became a brewer and farmer. He served three years in

the German army, and during this period was thoroughly instructed in music. After quitting the service he was occupied in managing his father's estate for several years, and in 1874 engaged in the manufacture of vinegar and mineral water, and in distilling, which he conducted for eight years on his own account. About this time, 1882, also, he was appointed secretary of the emigration board at Basle, Switzerland, acting for A. E. Kennen, of Milwaukee, Wis. In October, 1886, he came to the United States, landing in New York city in the month of October and going thence direct to Milwaukee, where, for six months, he taught music. He next went to Ashland, Wis., where he was agent for the Pabst Brewing company two years, and then came to South Bend, Ind., as agent for the same company. Here, also, he opened an elegant public place, which is the resort of many of the best people of South Bend, especially of those possessed of a refined musical education or taste.

The marriage of Mr. Ferstl was celebrated in Bavaria, August 13, 1867, by Rev. Father Gabelsberger, with Miss Augusta Grau, of Berathhausen, and this congenial union has been prolific in its fruits, there having been born to it thirteen children, of whom, however, only five survive. Mr. Ferstl and family are prominent as members of St. Mary's (German) Catholic church of South Bend, and of St. Mary's Rosary society. Mr. Ferstl is also a member of a Wisconsin branch of the Catholic Knights of America. He is a genial and refined gentleman and a man of the world, and enjoys the esteem of a wide circle of friends, and his family stand high in the respect of the social circles of the city.

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MRS. ELIZABETH FIFE, a most worthy Catholic woman, resides with her family at No. 901 North East street, Indianapolis. She is the wife of William Fife, a well-known contractor and most worthy citizen. Previous to her marriage Mrs. Fife's name was Elizabeth Fagan, and she is a daughter of James and Mary Fagan, the maiden name of the latter having been Daly. They were natives of Canada, and removed thence to Lasalle,



Ill., where they passed the remainder of their lives. The mother of Mrs. Fife was a devout Catholic, and from her mother Mrs. Fife inherited a strong love for the church. Mrs. Fife was one of the family of eight children, who became widely separated years ago, and several of them are now deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. Fife have three children, born in Lasalle, and all brought up in the Catholic faith. The eldest, Helen, was educated at the school of the Sisters of Providence, at Muncie, Ind., and after the family became residents of Indianapolis, she attended the academy of St. Joseph; George W., the only son, is a book-keeper by occupation, and the youngest child, Elizabeth Marie, graduated at St. Joseph's academy in 1897. Mr. Fife is of Scotch birth and parentage, and is a citizen highly esteemed by all that know him.

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JOHN H. FIHE, a well-known member of St. Andrew's parish, Richmond, Ind., was born in Mertzen, Germany, in the year 1822, a son of Bernard and Catharine Fihe, both natives of the Fatherland. Bernard Fihe was born in 1789, educated in the schools of Mertzen, and followed farming in his native country until his death, which occurred in the year 1833. His wife, whose maiden name was Catherine Meyer, and whom he married in 1814, came to the United States shortly after the death of her husband, bringing with her five sons, and located in Cincinnati, where she departed this life in 1850.

John H. Fihe attended school in his native country and, after becoming a citizen of the United States, worked at different kinds of labor in Cincinnati, chiefly stone paving, and for some time was in the employ of the city government of that city as a teamster. In 1850 he engaged in the dry-goods business, which he followed until 1864, when he disposed of his stock and came to Richmond, Ind., near which city he purchased a beautiful little farm, but his home is within the city limits, and his property, the product of his own unaided efforts, is a valuable one.

Mr. Fihe has been twice married—the first time in St. Mary's church, Cincinnati, to Catherine Beckman, who died in the spring

of 1870, leaving one child, a daughter, Elizabeth, wife of John H. Dickman, of Richmond. The second marriage was solemnized October 25, 1870, with Caroline Ferneding, which union has resulted in the birth of six children, viz: Leo, Joseph, Clement, Bertha, Harry and Pauline, the last three of whom are still under the parental roof. Leo is a pharmacist in Richmond. Joseph holds a responsible position with the American Tin Plate company at Elwood, Ind., and Clement is a student at the university of Cincinnati, Ohio. From early youth Mr. Fihe has been a faithful attendant upon the duties of his church and he makes all secular matters subordinate to its claims; St. Andrew's parish finds him and his family among its devoted members. Mrs. Fihe belongs to St. Ann's society and takes an active interest in its prosperity.

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REV. GEORGE J. LANNERT, assistant rector of St. Joseph parish, Indianapolis, was born in Evansville, Ind., February 9, 1867. His parents, Joseph and Frances (Bosler) Lannert, were natives respectively of Germany and Pennsylvania, the father coming to the United States at the age of fourteen, and dying at Evansville in the year 1876; the mother, still a widow, lives in the above city at the present time. The subject of this sketch is the eldest of five children, the other four having been named: Raymond Nicholas, Mary, Katie, who died in infancy, and Clara. With the exception of Father Lannert, the family reside in Evansville, where the different members are variously employed.

Father Lannert's elementary education was received in the parochial schools of his native city, which he attended seven years, and during the succeeding five years he held clerkship with different mercantile firms of Evansville. At the age of eighteen he decided to devote his life to the welfare of humanity, and at once began the course of preparation for the priesthood. From September, 1885, to June, 1889, he pursued his studies at St. Meinrad's college, and from September of the latter year to June, 1893, was a student at Mount St. Mary's, Emmettsburg, Md. The last two years of his theological course were spent at Mount St. Mary's of the West



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at Cincinnati, where he was ordained priest, June 19, 1895, by Archbishop Elder, after ten years of patient and laborious study.

After a vacation of three weeks, Father Lannert entered upon his life-work as assistant rector of St. Joseph's church, Indianapolis, where he has since zealously ministered to the spiritual wants of his people. Thus far his life has been fraught with good works and he has before him a future of great promise.

**J**OHAN H. FILCER, a prominent Catholic citizen of Indianapolis, resides with his family at 1118 Cornell avenue, within the limits of St. Joseph's parish, in which they have resided since 1884. Mr. Filcer was born in Center county, Pa., 1839, and is a son of Michael and Margaret Filcer, who were of German Catholic origin, but whose ancestors for several generations had been natives of Pennsylvania. Michael Filcer resided in Blair county, Pa., at the time of his death, but his wife passed the closing years of her life in Cambria county.

John H. Filcer, the subject of this sketch, became connected with railroad business early in life, and has been thus connected ever since. The rudiments of his education he obtained in the public schools, and later he learned the trade of boilermaking in the shops of the Pennsylvania Railroad company, and then went to Illinois. He has been connected with the Big Four railroad as foreman since 1863, a period of thirty-five years, his present position being that of general foreman of the boiler department of the Chicago & Whitewater division, in Indianapolis. His great length of service is fully indicative of the faithfulness with which he has performed his duties, and is an index to the excellent character which he bears.

Mr. Filcer was married, first, to Miss Mary C. Carry, at Fort Wayne, Ind., November 28, 1861. She was a native of Ireland, and by her marriage to Mr. Filcer became the mother of one daughter, Margaret Elizabeth, who was born September 14, 1862, at Fort Wayne, Ind. This young lady, as she grew to mature years, developed into a beautiful and lovely character, and early

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evinced a desire to lead a strictly religious life, and her father willingly consented to the gratification of her ambition. She was educated at St. Mary's of the Woods, and in due time became Sister Mary Celestia. Faithful in the discharge of her duties her health at length became delicate, and on June 27, 1896, she passed from earthly labors to her heavenly reward. At the time of her death she was Sister Superior at LaFayette, Ind.

At Mattoon, Ill., in August, 1883, Mr. Filcer married Miss Kate Kahoe, his first wife having died August 12, 1879. Miss Kate Kahoe was born in county Wicklow, Ireland, and is a daughter of Simon and Margaret Kahoe, neither of whom ever came to the United States, and both of whom are now deceased. Mrs. Filcer arrived in this country in May, 1876. She and her husband are the parents of four living children, two sons and two daughters, viz: John Edward, born July 7, 1884; Marie, born November 28, 1885; Leo, born May 3, 1891, and Kathleen, born July 15, 1894. All of these children were born in Indianapolis, but the eldest, who was born in Mattoon, Ill. There was also a younger daughter, Mary Celestia, who died at the age of three years and three months. Mr. and Mrs. Filcer are numbered among the good citizens of Indianapolis, and are highly esteemed members of St. Joseph's church, to the support of which they are liberal contributors.

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EDWARD FINAN, a prosperous citizen of Monroeville, Allen county, Ind., and a contractor for railroad cross-ties, was born in Ireland in 1845, and is a son of John and Ellen (Mourn) Finan, who were the parents of seven sons and one daughter. John and his wife, Ellen, came with their Irish-born children to the United States, via Canada, in 1847, and settled in Benton township, Paulding county, Ohio, where the father died in 1895, at the age of ninety-four years, although he had frequently changed his place of residence during the intervening period.

Edward Finan, the fourth born of the eight children alluded to above, was reared in Paulding county, received a good common-school education, and at the age of nineteen years enlisted, in

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1864, in company I, One Hundred and Thirty-first Ohio volunteer infantry, and served six months. He then returned to Paulding county, where he resided until 1870, when he came to Monroeville, and engaged in the manufacture of staves and in the general lumber business, and also has done more or less merchandizing. In politics a democrat, he was appointed postmaster of Monroeville in 1885, and held the office until 1889, and has likewise held several other positions of trust.

In 1873 Mr. Finan was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth Jane Stephenson, daughter of John D. and Mary Stephenson, and to this union were born four children, viz: John J., Roger (deceased), Michael (deceased) and Lewis E. The family are devout members of St. Rose of Lima congregation, to the support of which they liberally contribute, and Mr. Finan is also a member of St. Joseph's Benevolent society. Mr. Finan has always been energetic as a business man and has secured a competency. He is greatly respected as a citizen, and the social standing of the family is as enviable as it is pleasant.

DANIEL WEBSTER FINN, a prominent young merchant of Indianapolis, doing business at No. 1001 South Capitol avenue, was born near Lexington, Ky., July 8, 1863, son of John and Mary (Mooney) Finn, who were born in Ireland, but came to America in their youthful days, and were married in Kentucky. To their union were born eight children, viz: Luke, who is sheriff of Greeley county, Neb., and resides in Greeley Center; Daniel W.; John, who is connected with a gas developing company in northern Indiana; Timothy J., employed with the Kingan Packing company of Indianapolis; William J., a clerk in a mercantile house in this city; Mary, wife of William Speak, superintendent of the Baltimore & Ohio southwestern roundhouse, at Louisville, Ky.; Winifred, still with her mother, and one child that died in infancy. The father of this family passed away on his farm in Bartholomew county, Ind., in 1890, and the mother, with all her surviving children, excepting Luke and Mary, now resides in Indianapolis.

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Daniel W. Finn passed his boyhood upon his father's farm, and was educated in the public schools of Indiana, primarily; he also attended a business college in Indianapolis, and a normal school, being prepared in the latter for the vocation of a teacher, but never engaged in this profession. His early manhood was passed as a clerk in a Nebraska wholesale house; later, he learned the trade of carriagemaking in Indianapolis, but for the last three years has been in mercantile trade at his present location. Here he carries a full and well assorted stock of groceries, provisions, fancy goods, etc., and is doing an excellent business, which he is well qualified to transact, as he has gained a broad experience through extensive travel in various states of the Union, and physically is well adapted for the activities of commercial life, being six feet two inches in stature, and weighing nearly 200 pounds, with no superfluous adipose deposit.

The church relations of the family are with St. Bridget's parish, but they are not connected with any of the church societies or other orders. In politics Mr. Finn is a democrat, but not a partisan in the office-seeking sense of the word. He is honored and respected wherever known.

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**J**OHAN BAPTIST LAPLANTE, deceased, was a prominent capitalist of Vincennes, Ind., his native city, and was born February 3, 1823, a son of Pierre and Elizabeth (Gamlin) LaPlante, and Vincennes was always his home, with the exception of four years passed in Logansport, Ind.

Pierre (or Peter) LaPlante was born in Three Rivers, Mich., was of French and Irish parentage, was a carpenter by trade, and early came to Vincennes and here married Miss Gamlin, a native of this ancient town, this union resulting in the birth of six children, namely: Peter E., deceased; Alzier, a daughter, who died of lockjaw at the age of three years; John Baptist, the subject of this notice; Paul and Alexander, who died in middle life, and Charles. Peter E., who lived in the family of subject for forty-two years, being his partner in business, died unmarried, and Charles, the youngest of the family, still survives.







*A. B. La Monte*



P. E. Lallante



John B. LaPlante learned the saddler's trade in youth, but this was uncongenial to his taste, and he therefore engaged in mercantile and other lines of business, including the grocery trade, hotel-keeping and livery, in all of which he invariably prospered, being actively engaged in these various lines for over thirty years, and retiring on a competency about the year 1883.

In 1870 Mr. LaPlante erected the LaPlante house, at the corner of First and Main streets, Vincennes—a fine three-story brick of sixty rooms, which he furnished finely and leased for many years. He was also extensively engaged in the real-estate business, and owned numerous business and residence properties in Vincennes and a farm near Chicago, Ill.

The first marriage of Mr. LaPlante occurred December 7, 1845, with Miss Melinda Scott, of Logansport, Ind. This lady was a Protestant in religion, but at marriage became a Catholic. She was an invalid for many years, and to aid in restoring her health, Mr. LaPlante traveled with her extensively through Europe, but after a married life of twenty-seven years, she eventually expired, in Vincennes, in 1872, a devout believer in the faith to which she had been so happily converted—but died childless. The second marriage of Mr. LaPlante took place in May, 1874, to Miss Cassie E. Aull, a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, and a daughter of Jacob and Margaret (Wagner) Aull, natives of Maryland, and of German ancestry. This union was blessed with two children, viz: an infant, that was born in 1883, but died the same year, and John B. E., who was born June 13, 1887.

Mr. LaPlante was a consistant member of St. Francis Xavier Catholic church, of which his parents and all their family were communicants. He was a gentleman of broad views, was liberal in his contributions to his church and all charitable institutions, was highly esteemed for his many excellent traits of character, and as a citizen was useful and public-spirited and a credit to his native city. In politics he was a whig up to 1856, when he became a democrat. Although he was never an office seeker in any sense, as his business affairs claimed his close attention, he served, as a matter of public duty, as county commissioner and as a member of the city council of Vincennes. His social standing was always

with the elite of the city, and as a man his morality and business truth gained for him a name without flaw or blemish. His lamented death occurred May 27, 1898, and his loss will long be deplored by the community in which he was born, and in whose behalf he so earnestly labored for many years—devoting the vigor of his early manhood and middle life to its moral improvement and substantial well being.

CHARLES LAPLANTE, a retired capitalist of Vincennes, Ind., is a native of the city, and was born September 28, 1833. A brief sketch of the ancestry of Mr. LaPlante will be found on a preceding page in this volume, and it is only necessary here to state that he is a son of Pierre and Elizabeth (Gamlin) LaPlante, the former of whom was born in Three Rivers, Mich., and the latter in Vincennes, Ind., in which city their marriage took place.

After a proper education in the parochial schools of Vincennes, Charles LaPlante went to St. Louis, Mo., there learned the painter's trade, and after passing three years in that city returned to Vincennes, Ind., and here bought a grocery from his brother, John B., which business he conducted until a few years ago, and finally retired from merchandizing in 1892, since which time he has been engaged in the management of his realty, much of which he inherited from his pioneer father of blessed memory, although, through his own good management and business talents he had himself accumulated a handsome competency.

Charles LaPlante was first united in marriage, in 1861, with Miss Sarah Heiler, a native of Vincennes, who died at the close of eight years of wedded life. The only child born to this marriage, John B., died at the age of four years. The second marriage of Mr. LaPlante was to Miss Elizabeth Page, who was born in Vincennes, in 1847, a daughter of John B. and Elizabeth Page, the former of whom died in 1887; the latter is still living in Vincennes. Mrs. LaPlante has one brother and two sisters, all residents of Vincennes, viz: John B., a dealer in harness and Mrs. Mary Thuis and Miss Susan Page. Mr. and Mrs. LaPlante are members of the

congregation of St. Francis Xavier cathedral, and are sincere and devout in their observance of their religious duties. In politics Mr. LaPlante is democratic, but has never sought nor held public office.

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**J**AMES F. FINN, chief engineer of the Citizens' Electric Street railway, Indianapolis, is a conspicuous example of what a foreign-born citizen of the United States may accomplish by intelligent application of his powers to the accomplishment of a purpose. He was born in county Mayo, Ireland, July 1, 1857, and is a son of Thomas and Bridget (Morley) Finn, both of whom were natives of county Mayo, and who came to the United States, bringing their family with them, about 1873, the former, however, having preceded his family by about one year. The family upon reaching this country located in Greensburg, Ind., where they remained about eight years, came to Indianapolis in 1880, and both father and mother are now living at No. 27 Grant street.

James F. Finn, the subject of this sketch, is the eldest of a family of nine children, the others being named Patrick, Thomas, Mary, Martin, Nora, John, Bridget and Richard. Bridget and Richard, however, died in early childhood; Patrick is living in St. Louis; Thomas is employed in a packing house in Kansas City; Mary, now Mrs. Michael King, resides near Clearmont, her husband being a prosperous farmer; Martin is employed at Kingan's packing house in Indianapolis and is a married man; Nora is the wife of Joseph Klee, and resides in Indianapolis; John, who is still single, lives with his parents and is also employed in Kingan's packing house.

During the earlier years of the subject of this sketch his educational advantages were exceedingly limited, and in fact he has obtained his education since becoming twenty years of age. His first employment in the United States was in the capacity of a laborer in a stone quarry, in which work he spent three years. A short time was also spent by him in working on a railroad and on the streets in Greensburg, in which place he began his studies.

After coming to Indianapolis his first eight years were spent in working on the new state house, in the operation of the hoisting engine, he having previously, in Bedford, Ind., been employed as fireman in a flouring-mill, in which capacity he received his first instructions in the management of the steam engine. He now states there are 18,000 cubic feet of rock in each layer of the dome, which stone he hoisted to its position. The state house being finished, he filled a similar position in Chicago in connection with the construction of the Auditorium building, which stands on Michigan and Wabash avenues and Congress street, and in this work he was engaged five months. Afterward he was engaged in the operation of an engine running the ice machinery of Armour's packing establishment.

Returning to Indianapolis and being desirous of engaging in electrical engineering, he began at the very bottom, digging holes for the trolley poles, and after a few months thus spent he was given charge of an engine of the Brush Electric Light company on South Pennsylvania street. He was the first electric inspector of Indianapolis. Later, upon going to Richmond, Ind., he became chief engineer for the Electric Street Railway company, the position being secured for him through the influence of his former employers in Indianapolis. Three years were spent in this capacity in Richmond, and while he was thus engaged an offer was made to him to return to Indianapolis to operate the electric light plant in a rolling-mill, which offer he accepted, but subsequently lost the position through the failure of the company owning the rolling-mill. He then became fireman for the company by which he is at present employed. While thus engaged as fireman he has been offered the place of switch-board manager, a very important position, but a proposition soon came to him to become engineer for the Indianapolis Light & Power company, with which company he was thus connected for eleven months, and it was while thus engaged that he was requested to return to the Citizens' Electric Street Railway company as chief engineer, which place he has now been filling for more than two years. This position is a responsible one and yields him a good salary. In all of the positions he has filled, as narrated above, he has always striven to fill them



with ability and fidelity, and his success has been recognized by the various companies by which he has been employed.

Mr. Finn was married at St. John's church, Indianapolis, by the Rev. Father Gavisk, June 20, 1888, to Miss Beisie Sharkey, who was born in county Roscommon, Ireland, and who is a daughter of John and Margaret (Beirne) Sharkey, both of whom died in Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Sharkey were the parents of the following children: Mary, now deceased; Beisie, wife of the subject of this sketch; Maggie, known in the church as Sister St. Magdalen, is at St. Mary's of the Woods, Terre Haute, Ind.; Kate resides in Indianapolis, and is still single; Martin, formerly a section foreman, is now employed at Kingan's packing house; John, who was killed at Green Castle, Ind., in a runaway accident; Michael, a boilermaker, who was employed in the shops of the "Big Four" Railway company for several years, but who is now assistant foreman; William, who is married and living in Ireland, and who has quite a family of children, and Lizzie, married to James Dyer, and living in Ireland.

Mr. and Mrs. Finn are the parents of four children, three sons and a daughter, as follows: Martin, John Richard, Loretta and Walter James, all living, and all bright, intelligent children. Mr. Finn and his family are all members of St. John's church, ardent in its support and faithful in the performance of their religious duties. Mr. Finn is a member of the Ancient Order of Druids, and of the Stationary Engineers' association. Politically he is a democrat, but is not in any sense of the term an office seeker, preferring to perform the duties of the private citizen and to fill such stations in life as certainly yield a reward. Mr. Finn owns his home at No. 830 Chadwick street, where he and family enjoy a life of domestic happiness.

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ANDREW J. FISHER, ex-postmaster of Ferdinand, is a son of John and Barbara (Gutting) Fisher, and was born in Connecticut, in October, 1853; he attended the common schools, was reared on his father's farm, and at the age of twenty-five years engaged in his present business. He was married, October 9, 1877,

to Mary Catherine Rickelmann, a daughter of Joseph Rickelmann, of Dubois county, Ind., to which union has been born one son, Edwin J., now nineteen years of age and attending St. Meinrad's college. Mr. Fisher and his wife are members of St. Ferdinand Catholic church and are sincere in the profession of their faith.

VINCENT FISCHER, one of the most influential citizens of Madison, Jefferson county, Ind., and senior member of the firm of Fischer & Reichert, manufacturers of buggies, wagons, etc., and general blacksmiths, was born in Baden, Germany, January 24, 1838, and is a son of Xavier and Barbara (Whithen) Fischer, who were the parents of six children, of whom five reached the years of maturity, viz: Leopold, who died in Germany and left a family; Esop, who was also married and died in Germany, leaving one child; George, who came to the United States in 1854, and died unmarried in Madison, Ind.; August, who still resides in Germany and is unmarried, and Vincent, the subject of this memoir, who is the youngest.

Vincent Fischer sailed from Havre, France, in 1854, and after a voyage of forty-six days landed in New Orleans, in company with a brother, and immediately came to Madison, Ind., where they had a cousin living—their only relative in America. He learned the blacksmith's trade, and in 1862 joined Mr. Reichert in his present business, and this is now the oldest firm in its line in this city, Mr. Reichert being a thorough wood-worker, and until the present hour Mr. Fischer has not yet lost one week's time since the firm was founded. The firm has built a good, solid plant, near which Mr. Fischer has his residence, and does the leading trade in the city, the output being disposed of in Madison and vicinity.

The marriage of Mr. Fischer took place, in 1863, to Miss Mary Rister, a native of Ohio, and this union has been blessed with three children, viz: Charles, who is a blacksmith; Fannie, who is married to Harry King, a resident of Madison, and William, who died at the age of six years. The family are members of St. Mary's

church, of which Mr. Fischer is one of the oldest communicants and of which he has been a trustee. He also assisted in organizing the German Building association, of which he is the president, and in politics is a democrat. Although Mr. Fischer had but nine silver dollars in his possession when he arrived in Madison, he has, by his close attention to business, thrift and skill, placed himself at the head of the business men of the city and won the esteem of all who know him.

CORNELIUS FITZGERALD and his wife, who reside at No. 1306 Bellefontaine street, Indianapolis, are among the prominent and highly esteemed members of St. Joseph's parish. The former was born October 3, 1858, at Mattoon, Ill., and is a son of Patrick and Bridget Fitzgerald, who were among the early Catholic families of that place. Patrick Fitzgerald was a native of county Tipperary, Ireland, and his wife was born in the city of Cork. Both came to the United States in early life, were married in this country, and spent most of their married life in Mattoon, Ill. There Mr. Fitzgerald died several years ago and there the mother of the family still lives.

Cornelius Fitzgerald, the subject of this sketch, is one of a family of five children, three sons and two daughters. He was educated in the schools of his native city, and since then he has been engaged in railroading, beginning this line of work in 1873. He is now serving in the capacity of a conductor. Mrs. Fitzgerald was born at Litchfield, Ill., and is a daughter of James and Ellen Welch, who are natives of county Clare, Ireland. They came to the United States in early life, were married in this country, and passed their early married life in Litchfield, Ill., later removing to Mattoon, where they still live. Mrs. Fitzgerald is one of a family of eight children, three sons and five daughters, of whom two sons and two daughters are still living and are residents of Mattoon, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald are the only representatives of their respective families residing in Indiana, and are the parents of three children, two of whom are living. The eldest is James Francis; the second in order of birth, Roy Edward, died

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when one and a half years of age, and the youngest is Joseph Leonard. The parents of these children are bringing up a niece of Mrs. Fitzgerald, a daughter of her eldest sister, now deceased. The niece is being educated in the Catholic faith, and attends the Catholic school of the parish of St. Joseph, of which Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald are numbered among the most liberal-minded and highly-esteemed members. They are both descended from well-known Catholic families, and possess and enjoy the highest respect of all who know them.

REV. EMANUEL LEDVINA, pastor of St. Joseph's church at Princeton, Gibson county, Ind., is a native of Evansville, was born October 28, 1868, and is a son of George and Mary (Kiefer) Ledvina, the former of whom is a native of Austria, is a mechanical and constructing engineer by profession, and came to the United States in about 1843, and first located in Evansville. To his marriage with Miss Mary Kiefer, were born four children, but this lady departed this life at St. Louis, Mo., in 1890, while Mr. Ledvina still survives and is in the active practice of his calling.

Rev. Emanuel Ledvina was primarily educated in the public schools of St. Louis, Mo., and in the parochial schools of Evansville, then entered St. Meinrad's college, Spencer county, Ind., from which he was graduated, and was ordained priest by Bishop Francis Silas Chatard on March 18, 1893. He said his first mass in Holy Trinity church, Evansville, March 20, of the same year, and immediately thereafter assumed his duties as assistant at the same church, where he remained one year and five months, when he was appointed assistant at St. John's church, Indianapolis, where he did good and faithful work for one year. August 1, 1895, he was placed in his present charge, his congregation then consisting of about seventy-five families, and here he has found an opportunity of exerting his administrative talents and of showing his piety as well as his devotion to the good work of the church.

At Princeton, Father Ledvina found a very small church building that had been erected when the parish was in an embryo state, and entirely inadequate for the uses of the congregation at



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the time he assumed the duties of his pastorate. He at once turned his attention to the remedying of this ill-conditioned state of affairs, and by his shrewd financial management soon succeeded in providing for his flock more roomy quarters. The membership of St. Joseph's was increased through the energy of Father Ledvina and through natural causes, and he was just the man to take advantage of this favorable circumstance. He aroused the enthusiasm of his parishioners, who consented to the disposal of the first edifice and its grounds, and contributed the funds for the purchase of new grounds and the erection of the present picturesque church-building, which was completed in October, 1897. Before this, there was built a parsonage, in modern style, at a cost of nearly \$3,000, and a school-house, which is encompassed with a beautiful lawn occupying a half block. Since the completion of these buildings the locality has been greatly improved, developing from a waste common to an important dwelling district of the town, through which the streets have been graded and the sidewalks paved with brick. Thus has Father Ledvina not only aided in elevating the dignity of his church, but has assisted in making the district in which the church is located one of the most important in the city, outside of the business region.

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EDWARD FITZGIBBON, a car builder in the I., D. & W. railroad shops, at Indianapolis, was born at St. Ann's, Jennings county, Ind., on the sixteenth of August, 1858. His parents, David and Honora (McCarty) Fitzgibbon, were natives of Ireland, the former coming to the United States in 1837 and the mother in early childhood. The mother died when Edward was a child; the father, a stone contractor, resides with a daughter in Indianapolis. David and Honora Fitzgibbon were the parents of eight children, the subject of this sketch being the sixth in order of birth.

Edward Fitzgibbon attended public schools in his youth, also the parochial school of his native village, and in early manhood became an apprentice to the carpenter's trade, at which in due

time he acquired great efficiency. Previous to his marriage, he visited Scott and Clinton counties, Iowa, where, for two years, he was employed by a dealer in live stock. Returning home, he engaged in bridge carpentry for a year on the O. & M. railway, and later went to Minneapolis, Minn., thence to Wahpeton, N. Dak., where for a limited period he followed bridge work and then became storekeeper for a firm on the Fargo & Southern railway at Fargo. From Wahpeton, Mr. Fitzgibbon went to Portland, N. Dak., building elevators on the Union Pacific railway, and after a short time there returned to Fargo, and thence to Spokane Falls, Wash., where he remained for less than one year. His next move was again to St. Paul, Minn., and later went to Cincinnati, Ohio, in the employ of the Western Union Telegraph company, repairing and building lines between that city and St. Louis, Mo.

From the last-named place, Mr. Fitzgibbon returned to Indianapolis, but after a short time went to Chicago and worked for a car and bridge company in that city for a period of eighteen months. Returning to Indianapolis, he engaged with the Indiana Car & Foundry company, with which he was connected five years—two of which were as foreman—discharging the duties of the position with great acceptability, and in 1897 entered the employ of the L. & W. railroad company.

On October 19, 1892, Mr. Fitzgibbon entered into the marriage relation with Miss Emma Bauerlie, who was born at North Vernon, Ind., July 29, 1861. Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgibbon have two children—Victor Hugo born September 1, 1893, and Mary Louise, born July 30, 1896.

Mr. Fitzgibbon was reared a Catholic and has ever been a true and tried member of the church. In the establishment of Assumption parish he was very active, giving liberally of his time and means towards the building of the present house of worship and promoting the various institutions connected therewith. He has been a member of the board of trustees ever since the organization of the parish, in addition to which he is an active worker in the Young Men's institute. In politics he is an ardent advocate of democracy, but has never held nor sought official position at the hands of his fellow citizens. He is a creditable representative of



one of the well-known and prominent Catholic families of Indianapolis, and a gentleman against whose character no breath of suspicion has ever been uttered.

**J**OHNSILAS FITZGIBBONS, foreman of the Palladium Publishing company's office, of Richmond, Ind., is a native of this city, was born January 13, 1866, and is a son of Michael and Margaret (Allen) Fitzgibbons.

Michael Fitzgibbons, father of John Silas, was born in county Clare, Ireland, in October, 1834, was educated in the parochial school of his native parish of Tomgraney, and in 1852 came to the United States, landing in the city of New York, whence he immediately came to Indiana, located in New Castle, and was there engaged in milling for thirteen years, and then, in 1865, came to Richmond, where he followed milling for about eight years, and then engaged in the grocery business, on Fort Wayne avenue, four years, but now confines his attention to fruit growing. He was one of the early trustees of St. Mary's Catholic church, and urged the building of St. Mary's academy, which is to-day a credit to the Catholics of this city.

The marriage of Michael Fitzgibbons took place at New Castle, Ind., in October, 1857, to Miss Margaret Allen, a native of county Kerry, Ireland, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. Father Merritts. This union was blessed with fourteen children, born in the following order: Thomas, Patrick, Henry, Michael, Mary Ellen, John Silas, Francis, Hanora, Edward, William, Margaret, Joseph, Katherine and Charles, who were all educated in St. Mary's parochial school. The devoted mother of this family, who was a member of the Ladies' Altar and Rosary society of St. Mary's church in Richmond, was called from earth March 29, 1892, and her remains were interred in the cemetery of the church of which she was a member.

John Silas Fitzgibbons, the subject of this memoir, after graduating from the St. Mary's parochial school, was apprenticed, September 27, 1880, to the Palladium company, of Richmond, to

learn the printing business, and in 1892 was appointed foreman of the establishment, which position he has since filled with credit to himself and to the entire satisfaction of the Palladium company.

Mr. Fitzgibbons was happily united in marriage, November 23, 1892, with Mary E. Shofer, of Richmond, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. Father D. J. McMullen. This marriage has been blessed with three children, named Gerald, Roland and Rhea. The family are members of St. Mary's Catholic congregation, and Mr. Fitzgibbons is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and also of the Julian club, of which latter he was elected president in October, 1896. He has led a moral and temperate life, and is well deserving of the high esteem in which he is held by the community of Richmond. Being of a modest disposition, he has on two different occasions refused to accept appointments to offices of trust.

PATRICK LYNCH, who resides at 940 East Georgia street, is one of the early Catholics of Indianapolis, and was born in county Clare, Ireland, about 1835. He is a son of John Lynch, who died when Patrick was yet a child, and the widow, when the subject was fourteen years of age, came to the United States with her family of four children, and settled in Boston, Mass., where she died some years later, and where she lies buried. The family consisted of one son, Patrick, and three daughters, one of whom went to California, one remained in Boston, and the third lived for many years in Indianapolis, in which city she died, leaving a family of five children, three sons and two daughters.

Patrick Lynch lived in Boston about ten years. He there married Miss Honora Shay, and in 1860 brought his family to Indianapolis, where he has since lived, and where his wife died many years ago. Patrick and Honora Lynch were the parents of six children, four sons and two daughters. On August 23, 1881, Mr. Lynch married, for his second wife, Mrs. Margaret O'Brien, widow of Michael O'Brien, and daughter of Daniel Mulchay; she was born in county Tipperary, Ireland, and came to the United



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States with her mother, her father having died in his native country. The mother brought with her to this country seven children, four sons and three daughters, only two of whom are now living, all the others, with the exception of one son, being buried in the Catholic cemetery in Indianapolis. The son referred to above was a soldier in the Union army during the war of the Rebellion, a member of the Thirty-fifth Indiana volunteer infantry, was taken prisoner, and died in a Confederate prison. Mrs. Lynch is a sister of Michael Mulchay, of Indianapolis.

Of the six children of Mr. Lynch by his first marriage two sons and two daughters are living, these four being Bridget, William, Michael and Mary. The eldest of the family was Dennis, who died in July, 1896. John H., another son, died August 5, of the same year, and Mary, wife of George W. Elbreg, died November 9, 1897. Mr. Elbreg is a citizen of Indianapolis. It will thus be seen that Mr. and Mrs. Lynch have had their share of affliction, having buried three of their children within little more than a year.

Mr. Lynch has always been an industrious man and has accumulated a handsome property. For the unusually long time of thirty-one years he was engineer for Sinker & Davis, a prominent business firm of Indianapolis, but he has now retired from active business life. Both he and his wife are worthy members of Holy Cross church, of which Rev. Father McCabe is pastor. They are both esteemed citizens of Indianapolis, respected by all their neighbors and friends.

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**THOMAS FITZ GIBBON.**—The history of the early Catholic citizens of Indiana would be far from complete without mention of Thomas Fitz Gibbon and his family, who suffered persecution in their native land for their efforts in behalf of the liberties of the Irish people. Thomas Fitz Gibbon was born in county Cork, Ireland, in 1801, and sprang from an ancient and honorable family, noted for their strong devotion to the church and to the political freedom of their native land. Two elder brothers of the subject of this sketch, Maurice and David Fitz Gibbon, were prominently identified with the movement for Irish liberty in 1798, and

were sentenced to be hanged with that noble and world-renowned patriot, Robert Emmett; but certain influences were so brought to bear as to result in a change in the sentence of death to banishment for life to the island of Martinique. David suffered the punishment imposed upon him, and died in banishment quite early in life; but Maurice escaped, and fled to the United States, settling in Baltimore, Md.

Thomas Fitz Gibbon grew to manhood in his native land with his love of freedom and hatred of oppression strong in his heart, intensified by the knowledge of what his family had suffered and endured in the cause of Irish liberty. On attaining to manhood's estate he was married to Miss Ellen O'Mahoney, a native of the city of Cork, and belonging to a prominent family. The young couple had already decided to come to the United States, and chose this time for their wedding trip. Embarking in a sailing vessel, steam vessels not having then come into use, they spent many weary weeks on the Atlantic ocean; but at length reached Baltimore, Md., their destination, and there they lived for many years after landing. In that city Mr. Fitz Gibbon became the proprietor of a book store, making a specialty of Catholic publications. This was more than three-fourths of a century ago, and Baltimore might then have been appropriately termed the headquarters of Catholicism in the United States. By virtue of his business as well as of his devotion to the interests of the church, Mr. Fitz Gibbon formed an extensive acquaintance and occupied a prominent position among the Catholics of Maryland, by whom, including also the Catholic clergy of that and other states, he was most highly esteemed.

In 1837 Mr. Fitz Gibbon removed to Madison, Ind., where he engaged in merchandizing; but, in common with the great majority of business men, he was a victim of the financial distress of that period, and consequently moved to St. Ann's. Financial reverses did not lessen his ardor for the church, and as, at St. Ann's, he found the few Catholics residing there, in a frontier community, without a church or pastor, he at once caused a log church to be erected and secured a pastor from Madison, who came to minister to the spiritual necessities of the people. When on their errands of Christian duty to these people, his house was the abiding place

of the priests, and, to use a common expression, common to the west as well as to the south, the latch-string of his domicile was always out to the stranger in need of rest or refreshment. He later returned to Madison, and next removed to Edinburg, where the spirit of hospitality and interest in the growth of the church attended him, as it did in every place in which he lived. At the latter place he died in 1872, his wife having preceded him to the better land by about sixteen months.

Thomas Fitz Gibbon and wife were the parents of fourteen children, seven of whom died in infancy. Those who attained to mature years were as follows: Capt. Michael Fitz Gibbon, who was a soldier in the Mexican war, and afterward for many years a wholesale grocer of Indianapolis, but removed to Denver, Colo., for the benefit of his health, and there died in April, 1894; Maurice de St. Palais Fitz Gibbon, who was a graduate of Notre Dame university, and who died at the home of his sister in Edinburg in 1885; Gerald, who lives at Dayton, Ohio; Mrs. Marie Amsden, widow of Col. Amsden, resides with her family in Indianapolis; Miss Ellen M. is the next in age; David is a resident of Indianapolis; and Mrs. Margaret F. Peelle, the seventh member of the family who grew to mature years, is the widow of William A. Peelle, of Wayne county, Ind., who was for twelve years state statistician, and was a well-known citizen. He died at St. Mary's, December 17, 1894.

Mrs. Peelle, who now resides in Indianapolis, is a member of the state board of charities, and was state librarian from 1879 to 1881, having held the position of assistant librarian previously to 1879. She is a woman of much ability and culture, and is most highly esteemed by all that know her. She has four children, viz: Marie, Robert F., Maurice and Agnes.

Thomas Fitz Gibbon and his wife were both much above the average in culture and general intelligence. One of the peculiar characteristics of Mrs. Fitz Gibbon was her intense love for the church. She was especially well informed on theological subjects, and her knowledge of this kind, combined with a clear and logical mind, rendered her instrumental in bringing many into the fold. One of the finest elements of her character was her great charity for the failings of others, and during her long and useful life she

was never known to speak ill of any one. It would be difficult to pay a greater tribute to the character and disposition of any one than this, and it is as freely given as it was richly deserved.

REV. T. N. LOGAN, of the church of the Immaculate Conception, Rushville, Ind., was born in county Galway, Ireland, May 19, 1837. When he was in his thirteenth year his parents came to America, and young Logan began at once to secure the scholastic advantages offered in their new home. He attended St. Meinrad's college in Spencer county, Ind., for a year, and then took the classical course at St. Joseph's seminary, Bardstown, Ky., graduating from that institution. His theological education was completed by a course at the Grand seminary at Montreal, Canada, under the Sulpitians, from which he graduated in 1874, and was admitted to holy orders September 6, 1874.

Father Logan's first charge was at Brownsburg, Hendricks county, Ind., where he continued for two years and a half. During his pastorate at Brownsburg he materially advanced the condition of the parish, and under his direction the church at that place was remodeled and considerably enlarged. Father Logan was then given charge of the more important parish at Greencastle. He remained at that place for seven years and did much in both a spiritual and material way for the good of the parish. He enlarged and remodeled the church in a handsome manner and bought the property and erected the present parochial school-building at that point. He also built a church at Bainbridge, an auxiliary parish in the same county. In 1880 Father Logan was located in Terre Haute. Here his fine executive qualities again asserted themselves and to his efforts were largely due the erection of the new St. Patrick's church at that place. He also bought the ground and erected the new St. Patrick academy at Terre Haute. He was then transferred to Bloomington and had direction of the joint parishes at Bloomington and Bedford for two years, and in February, 1888, was placed in charge of the church at Rushville. The same business and executive qualities and aggressiveness of manner







*Thomas L. Logan.*



MARY IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH,  
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which brought him the successes as a church builder in his previous charges have made his pastorate at Rushville a signal success. He took charge of the church of Mary Immaculate when it was cumbered with a debt of between \$5,000 and \$6,000, which he at once set about liquidating. He also began to look to the future needs of the parish, and realized the necessity of a new church-building. No sooner was the debt removed from the records of the church than Father Logan established a building fund, looking forward to a new house of worship. This fund grew to the important sum of more than \$12,000, with sufficient assurance to warrant the building. The new church cost about \$25,000, is modern in every respect, and one of the handsomest in Indiana. The parish of the church of Mary Immaculate is in a state of good, healthy growth, and under the ministration of Father Logan, who is assisted in his material labors by a very careful and efficient board of trustees, the future welfare and condition of the church is well assured. The church enrolls 150 families and the school has 110 pupils under the care of three Sisters of St. Francis, of Oldenburg, Ind.

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**J**OHAN FLAHERTY, in charge of the barns of the Coffin-Fletcher Packing company, at Indianapolis, was born in Union county, Ind., June 1, 1856, and is a son of Michael and Ann (Gavin) Flaherty, the former of whom is a native of county Galway, Ireland, and the latter of county Tipperary, but whose marriage took place in Union county, Ind. The father is an excavating contractor and resides at (old) No. 114 West Ray street, but the mother was called away, in the faith of the Catholic church, in 1878. Their marriage was blessed with five children, viz: John, the subject of this notice; Mary, deceased wife of Martin Haley; Thomas, who died in this city, leaving a wife and one child; Katie, who is housekeeper for her father, and Maggie, now Mrs. Joseph Stark, who resides on Broadway.

John Flaherty, when a boy, was taken from his native county to Cambridge City, Wayne county, and in 1869 came to Indianapolis, which city has since been his home. He has been variously

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employed, but his more permanent positions have been for seven years in a starch factory and for twelve years in his present position—the secret of his long tenure of these two positions being found in his industrious habits, his trustworthiness and his devotion to the interests of his employers. He was married June 23, 1879, to Miss Maggie Griffin, a native of county Tipperary, Ireland, and this union has been blessed with seven children, viz: Katie, aged seventeen years; Francis, who died when eight years old; Annie, who died at the age of two years and two months; Maggie, now seven years old; Thomas, aged five years; Marie, aged three, and Ellen, born in 1897. The family are members of St. John's congregation, Rev. Father Gavisk, pastor, and have their pleasant home at No. 521 West Ray street, where they are surrounded with many true friends. In politics Mr. Flaherty is a democrat, but has preferred to devote his time to the interests of his employers rather than to the seeking for the spoils of office. He is generous in his contributions to the support of his church, and is greatly respected as an honest, upright and useful citizen.

REV. JOSEPH FLACH, pastor of St. Joseph's church, Dyer, Lake county, Ind., was born in Haslach i. Kinzigthal, Baden, Germany, June 9, 1850, a son of Sebastian and Anna (Kienzle) Flach. He was educated in his native land and was ordained in St. Peter's, in the Black Forest, Baden, July 25, 1876. He then came to America with the Sisters of St. Francis, now in the St. Joseph's hospital at Joliet, to become their chaplain at Avilla, Ind., where he resided from 1876 until 1878, when he was removed by Bishop Dwenger to Dyer. In 1883 Father Flach visited Europe and passed one year, and on his return was appointed administrator of the parish of St. Martin's, Cedar Lake, Lake county, Ind., and filled the position until the return of the regular resident priest. He was then appointed assistant to Father Becks, of Michigan City, with whom he remained until 1885, in the spring of which year he went to Turkey Creek, Lake county, where he officiated until July, 1888, since when he has been the resident priest of St. Joseph's, at Dyer.

**T**HOMAS FLAHERTY, a well-known business man of Indianapolis, was born in Prattsburg, Steuben county, N. Y., October 3, 1861, a son of John and Mary Flaherty.

John Flaherty was born in county Kerry, Ireland, March 17, 1835, and when but nine years of age lost his father. At the age of seventeen he came to America, being the first of his immediate family to leave his native land, although some of his kinsfolk had preceded him to America and had settled in Prattsburg, N. Y., whither he naturally directed his course, arriving in an almost penniless condition. He began the battle of life in the new world by working on a farm at small wages, but, being industrious and economical, succeeded in accumulating sufficient means with which to purchase a modest home, which he later exchanged for the farm on which he still resides—a prominent and respected citizen, who has been honored by election to all the offices of trust which the county affords. To him and wife have been born eight children, in the following order: Mary, who is now Mrs. Wurth; Ellen, who is a Sister of Mercy, known as Sister Frances Borgia, and a successful educator at Buffalo, N. Y.; Thomas, our subject; Kate, a teacher at Prattsburg; John, living on the old homestead; Margaret, who is also a teacher; James, who graduated from the law department of Cornell university before he had attained his majority, and is the present postmaster at Prattsburg; and Frank, who is a merchant of the same city.

Thomas Flaherty was reared on the home farm and was educated in the Franklin academy. In 1879 he came to Indianapolis, but returned to his native state and graduated from the Rochester Business college in 1882. Coming again to Indianapolis he was for five years in the employ of M. O. Connor & Co., was then for ten years in the retail trade on his own account, and from 1885 to November, 1897, with H. J. Hine company. September 30, 1891, he married Miss Mary Walden, daughter of Robert R. Walden, of Indianapolis, and this union has been blessed with two daughters, the elder of whom died in infancy, and the younger being named Margaret. The family have a delightful home at No. 1120 South Linden street, in St. Patrick's parish, of which Mr. Flaherty has been a member since 1881. He is a gentleman of culture and is a highly

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esteemed member of St. Patrick's branch of the Catholic Knights of America, and is also vice-president of Capitol council, No. 276, Y. M. I. Mr. and Mrs. Flaherty are very liberal in their contributions to church support, and their social standing is with the most respected of the residents of Indianapolis.

HON. WILLIAM FLEMING, deceased, of Fort Wayne, is well remembered as one of the most prominent business men of the city and as a devout Catholic. He was born June 17, 1828, in county Wicklow, Ireland, not far south of the capital city, Dublin, in Dublin county, and was a son of Luke and Sarah (Holt) Fleming. He attended the National school of his county until fourteen years of age and was then sent to Dublin to continue his studies until 1846, when the family sailed for America. The vessel arrived safely at Quebec, Canada, but while lying in quarantine the father and four of the children were called to their everlasting sleep in the faith of the Catholic church, and the mother, with her three surviving children, all boys, came to Fort Wayne, and here the mother passed her remaining years and died a faithful Catholic.

William Fleming, after his arrival in Fort Wayne, at first engaged in school-teaching and was next employed in various classes of work, among which was stonecutting, the latter being his calling for several years. He made many friends and became a general favorite with the public. His first official position was that of deputy to Sheriff McMullen, and, at the death of that official, succeeded to the office, and was then, as a democrat, twice elected to fill the responsible position. For the eight years following the expiration of his last term as sheriff he served as city clerk, and in 1878 was elected state treasurer. In 1880 he was again a candidate for this office, but, with the rest of the nominees on the democratic ticket, met with defeat. He was very ardent in his labors for the success of his party, was invariably a delegate to the national conventions thereof during his active political life, and was a prime factor in the councils of the democracy—county and state.

As a business man, Mr. Fleming had few equals in Fort



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Wayne and no superiors. He was far sighted, sagacious, and, moreover, indefatigably industrious and enterprising. He was one of the originators of the New York, Chicago & St. Louis railroad, and a director in the company until the road was sold to the Vanderbilts. He was for a long time editor and proprietor of "The Fort Wayne Sentinel," was treasurer of the Indiana School Book company, vice-president of the Salimonic Mining & Gas company, vice-president and acting president of the First National Bank of Fort Wayne, president of the Hartford City Paper company, and a stockholder and director in many other industrial enterprises, and in the multifarious duties pertaining to these responsible positions he was actively engaged until the day of his death, at which time he had become one of the wealthy men in the state.

Mr. Fleming first married, in January, 1850, Miss Ann McLaughlin, who passed away August 18, 1854, leaving two children—Luke M. and Mary E.—the latter now the wife of Dr. L. J. Willien, of Terre Haute. The second marriage of Mr. Fleming took place July 7, 1859, when he chose for his bride Miss Helen F. Mayer, a daughter of George and Catherine (Hiller) Mayer, of Germany. To this union were born ten children, eight of whom are still living, viz: Catherine S., wife of Dr. Dinnen; Helen G., now Mrs. A. B. Trentman; Georgie F., now Mrs. William McKinnie; M. Celeste; Stephen B.; Sister Mary Helen, of St. Mary's of the Woods; William and Sadie Marie, all of Fort Wayne and all devout members of the Catholic church.

Mr. Fleming was called from his earthly labors to eternal rest January 13, 1890, a true son of the Catholic church, which he had munificently aided during his probation and until he received the final unction at the hands of her holy ministers. His memory will long be cherished by the citizens of Fort Wayne with honor, and his name respected as having been borne by one who was a pillar in the superstructure of her prosperity.

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**G**EORGE C. FLECK, a business man of Lawrenceburg, is a son of Casper and Maria (Centner) Fleck, who came from Germany to the United States in 1841. The father was born

March 2, 1822, was a miller, and was the only one of four sons who came to the United States. He drove stage for some time, but in a few years became a boss drayman, and also traded in horses until his death, which occurred July 28, 1890, at Cincinnati, Ohio.

George C. Fleck was born February 23, 1851, in Cincinnati, and is one of eight children, of whom Frank J. died at four years of age. George C. attended the common schools until he attained the age of fourteen, and then worked at the carver's trade for four years. He next learned the carriage and buggy trade, and worked at that for twenty-five years, after which he engaged in the liquor business. He was married to Miss Carrie Schneider, a daughter of Joseph Schneider, of Cincinnati, and to this marriage have been born two children, George J. and Anna M. The family are members of St. Lawrence's church, under the pastorate of Father Sondermann, and Mr. Fleck is a member of the Knights of St. John. The residence of our subject is above his place of business. He is a democrat in politics, but has preferred to devote his time to attending to his business affairs, rather than meddling with party contentions.

JOSEPH FAUST, ex-chief of the fire department at Washington, Ind., of the well-known firm of Faust Bros., retail liquor dealers at Washington, and a prominent member of St. Mary's parish, was born in New Albany, Ind., June 22, 1848, a son of Wendall William and Frances (Kegler) Faust, both natives of the province of Rhinefaltz, Germany—the former born September 18, 1818; the latter July 17, 1827—who located in New Albany in 1830, at which place they were married in 1846. The father engaged in the hotel and saloon business at New Albany until 1859, when he moved to Washington, where he followed the saloon business until 1860, when he engaged in gardening and was thus occupied until his death, which occurred August 29, 1891. The mother died July 21, 1893. They were earnest Catholics and reared a large family in that faith, viz: Mary, wife of Henry Stone; Joseph, the subject

of this sketch; Josephine, the wife of Fred Stump; Catherine, wife of H. Wagner; Celia, wife of H. Fromme; Caroline, widow of Wm. Fromme; Eve, wife of J. Turk; Lottie, wife of J. Dosch; Charles J., partner of our subject.

Joseph Faust was educated in the parochial schools of Dubois county until he was fourteen years of age, when he became his father's business assistant. He subsequently worked two years in a coal mine. In April, 1874, he was married to Miss Jane Tait, and two children were born to them: Lavede, deceased, and Charlotte.

Politically Mr. Faust is a democrat. He was for nine years chief of the Washington fire department, in the duties of which responsible position he displayed much efficiency, his service giving the utmost satisfaction. He is a member of the Knights of Honor; of the German Benevolent society, and of the local building and loan association. He and his brother are conducting a prosperous business, and have a large circle of warm friends.

**J**AMES PARTRIDGE FOLEY, captain of the Logansport police force, has lived in this city, virtually, all his life, as his family settled here in 1845, when he was but two years of age, his birth having occurred in Troy, Ohio, May 11, 1843.

Thomas and Ellen (Partridge) Foley, parents of the captain, were born in county Tipperary, Ireland, came to America in early life, and were married in Logansport in 1838. Thomas Foley, the father, arrived in this country in 1828, worked in various canals in Indiana and Ohio, and then purchased a farm in Harrison township, Cass county, Ind., where he followed agriculture for about eight years, and then settled in Logansport, where his wife died in July, 1877, at the age of sixty-seven years, and where he expired in 1888, aged eighty-six years, both in the faith of the Catholic church, of which they were among the earliest to settle in the city and members of St. Vincent de Paul church from its organization. Their four children were born in the following order: Kate, married to Thomas Mackassey, of Fulton county, Ind.; James P., subject of this memoir; Mary, who died in childhood, and Thomas, who was also called away when young.

James P. Foley passed his childhood years principally on his father's farm until nine years old, when his parents settled permanently in Logansport. Educational advantages were not at that time as abundant or as available as at present, so his schooling was of an indifferent character, but he succeeded in acquiring sufficient knowledge to carry him through the practical affairs of life. At a very early age he began learning the shoemaker's trade, and at eighteen was a competent journeyman—an unusual event. In 1868 and 1869 he served on the police force, and later served another term of two years. He continued working at his trade until 1893, in November of which year he went to the Pacific slope as deputy inspector of surveys, his duties requiring him to travel through nearly all the western states and territories. In November, 1895, he rejoined his family in Logansport, and in April, 1897, was appointed captain of police, which office he has since filled in a most satisfactory manner.

The marriage of Mr. Foley took place November 18, 1875, to Miss Bridget C. Heenan, a native of the state of New York and a daughter of Patrick Heenan, who brought his family to Logansport when Bridget, his daughter, was yet a child. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Foley was blessed with seven children, born in the following order: Thomas F., James P., John (who died in infancy), Mary Ellen, William H., Katie and Martin. The mother of this family was called away March 19, 1897, a devout Catholic, the family all being faithful members of St. Vincent de Paul church. Mr. Foley owns a most comfortable and tasty residence at No. 1508 North street, and with his children enjoys the respect of all his neighbors, as well as that of the general public of Logansport.

VINCENT FRANK, formerly mash-master for the Gaff & Co. distillery at Aurora, Ind., but now deceased, was born in Germany February 2, 1832, was there educated, and, after leaving school, entered the employ of a distilling firm, becoming an expert malt-master. In the early part of the 'fifties he came to the United States and located in Ripley county, Ind. June 10, 1856,





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in Decatur county, he married Miss Marguerite Schneyder, who was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, September 23, 1836, a daughter of Michael and Catherine Schneyder, and this union resulted in the birth of eleven children, of whom eight still survive, viz: Mary, William, Elizabeth, Carrie, Peter, Marguerite, Catherine and Joseph. On coming to Aurora, in 1856, Mr. Frank at once assumed his duties as malt-master for the Gaff company, and filled this position until his lamented death, August 21, 1889. He had been reared in the Catholic faith, and in this holy faith he died.

Mrs. Vincent Frank and her surviving children are all members of the Church of the Immaculate Conception at Aurora, and all are devoted to and faithful in the discharge of their religious duties, and socially are among the most respected residents of Aurora.

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REV. D. J. McMULLEN, pastor of St. Mary's church, at Richmond, Ind., was born in Newry, county Down, Ireland, on February 23, 1838. Shortly after, his parents moved to a farm near Celbridge, county Kildare, within eight miles of the city of Dublin. At the close of 1848 he sailed for America. Most of his studies were made at St. Mary's seminary, Perry county, Mo., and at the St. Louis university. He was ordained by Bishop de St. Palais, at St. Meinrad, subdeacon, June 17; deacon, June 18; priest, June 21, 1867. August 5, 1867, he arrived in Indianapolis to assist at St. John's church and attend the following named stations: Greenfield, Cumberland, Fortville, Plainfield, Brownsburg, Franklin and Edinburg. He continued here until October, 1868, when he was assigned to Rushville, Rush county, and in October, 1872, was appointed pastor of St. Mary's church, Richmond.

For about a quarter of a century, as will be seen by the above record, Father McMullen has devoted the prime years of his life to the care of St. Mary's congregation. Here has he labored so zealously in the cause of Catholicity, that his flock outnumbers any other in Richmond, and the church property, through his foresight and excellent management, has not only been released from the debt which hung over it when he began his labors, but has been

greatly added to in extent. The old buildings he has replaced with new and more commodious structures, that are the pride of the parish. His flock he has held together in unity and love, and the result is that its every member honors and loves the pastor himself. His piety, eloquence and devotion to duty have still further endeared him to his people, and outside of the church he finds a warm place in the hearts of many citizens.

That the work of Father McMullen has been arduous as well as successful will be understood when it is stated that he ministers not only to the spiritual needs of his own congregation of over 200 souls, but to those of the missions at Fountain City and Centerville.

MRS. CELIA FOX, proprietor of a grocery and provision store at the corner of Carlos and Ray streets, Indianapolis, is the wife of Lawrence P. Fox, the latter of whom was born March 1, 1851, at Madison, Ind., and in his youth learned the molder's trade, which he has followed ever since. Mr. Fox has been twice married, but his first wife died in 1892, leaving no children. He was next married to his present wife, who was at the time the widow of John Snyder, a machinist, who was killed in a railroad accident in 1889. Mr. and Mrs. Snyder were the parents of three children, all daughters, viz: Addie, Marguerite and Mary, who are in school, the eldest being a student at Sacred Heart academy, and, being a bright scholar, well along in her German studies.

Mrs. Fox's maiden name was Boylan. She was born December 25, 1860, at Madison, Ind., and is a daughter of Patrick and Mary (Gilgur) Boylan, both natives of county Mayo, Ireland, and who are the parents of seven children, four sons and three daughters, viz: Delia, who married Daniel Davy, both he and she being now deceased; Michael, doing business on Capitol avenue, Indianapolis; Catherine, wife of Edward Lynced, and who resides in Minnesota; James, a commission merchant of New York city; John, a sergeant on the police force of Indianapolis; Mrs. Fox; and Thomas, who is a machinist at Haugh's foundry, at Haughville, occupying the position of foreman. He and Thomas are

married, while the other brothers are still single. The parents of this family removed to Indianapolis about twenty-five years ago, and now reside on Capitol avenue.

Mrs. Celia Fox, the subject of this sketch, married Lawrence P. Fox in September, 1893, but to this second marriage there have been born no children. She is the manager of a grocery and provision store, located at the place given above, and established by her during her widowhood, while Mr. Fox, who is of German ancestry, continues to follow his trade as a molder. In this way the family has a double means of support, and is correspondingly prosperous. From the profits of her grocery and provision business Mrs. Fox has purchased three residences, which pay her a fair rental, and she has also purchased the building in which she now carries on her business. She has shown unusual qualifications for the management of a business concern, and as a natural result has been more than ordinarily successful. Mr. and Mrs. Fox and their family are members of St. John's church, contribute liberally to its support, and are highly esteemed members of general society.

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EDWARD C. FREDERICK, proprietor of a bowling alley in Lawrenceburg, Ind., is a son of Pius and Agnes (Heckinger) Frederick. The father was born in Germany, came to America when a young man and lived and died in Dearborn county, Ind.

Edward C. Frederick was born May 9, 1857, in Dearborn county, was educated in the common schools, and at the age of twenty-four years embarked in his present business. He started in with \$20 and now owns property to the amount of \$20,000. He was married to Mary Pelgen, a daughter of Peter Pelgen, and they have three children: Charles E., Edna M. and Raymond. He and his wife and children are members of St. Lawrence's church, and are liberal in their contributions to its support, and for this church his brother made the brick, and his father, Pius Frederick, did the construction work.

Mr. Frederick has the finest establishment of the kind in the city, although he started in as a poor man. He owns some very

valuable property and is one of the few men who have made a success of this business. The brother of Mr. Frederick died in 1879, in Lawrenceburg. A son, Charles E., of Mr. Frederick, when aged four years, had a growth on his windpipe that was cured, there being an average of only one cure in 100,000. He was treated by Dr. Sadler, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

PETER ROCHEFORD McCARTHY, proprietor of the Vincennes Galvanized Iron works and ex-treasurer of the city of Vincennes, Ind., was born in the parish of Fackle, county Clare, Ireland, March 10, 1849. His parents, Michael and Bridget (O'Connors) McCarthy, were natives of the same parish, were there married, and there the mother died at the age of forty-seven years, after which event the father brought his seven children to America and for one year lived in Hoboken, N. J., then came to Indiana and for some years lived in Washington, Daviess county, and thence went to Leavenworth, Kans., where he was accidentally killed on the railroad. Of his seven children, Margaret, the eldest, died in Denver, Colo.; Peter R., the subject, was the second born; Bridget is unmarried and lives in Denver; John W. is postmaster at Washington, Ind.; Mary is married and lives in Denver; Ellen, widow of N. J. Harper, also resides in Denver with her three children, and Michael J. is a hardware merchant of that city.

Peter R. McCarthy was twelve years of age when brought to America by his father, but prior to that time had received a good common education. His early life was passed as a locomotive engineer, and for eight years he was an employee as such on the O. & M. road. He next had charge of the fire engine of Vincennes, which position he held nine years, and while filling this position was elected city treasurer of Vincennes, and re-elected, his two terms constituting the limit of the law. During his incumbency of the treasurer's office he established his present business, which now receives his undivided attention and in which he employs from fifteen to twenty-five men and does a business of \$50,000 per annum. He makes a specialty of galvanized cornices and roofing, has done much creditable work in several states, and



P. R. McCARTHY.



has just filled a large contract at Decatur, Ala., and finished one on the court house at Robinson, Ill.

Mr. McCarthy was married in Vincennes, April 4, 1871, to Miss Mary O. Dubois, who was then a Protestant in religion, but has since been converted to Catholicism. The Dubois family is one of the oldest in the state, and Mrs. McCarthy is a niece of Jesse K. Dubois, who was state auditor of Indiana for eight years, and is also a cousin of Senator Dubois of Utah. The marriage of Mr. McCarthy has been blessed with nine children, of whom two are deceased, the survivors being Ellen, Mary, John, Bridget Lydia, Alice, Francis Patrick and Gaddis Monroe. Of these, John is a graduate of St. Mary's college, Kans., and is now employed in his father's business; Ellen is a graduate from St. Mary's of the Woods, Terre Haute, Ind., and Mary is a graduate from St. Rose's college of Vincennes, while the other children are still at school, receiving excellent educations.

Mr. McCarthy is a member of St. Francis Xavier Catholic congregation, to which his whole family are also attached. He is president of branch No. 256, Catholic Knights of America, at Vincennes, and is president of the Catholic Knights of Indiana, having been elected to the latter office in the convention held at Columbus, Ind., in August, 1896; is chief mustering officer of the U. R., C. K. of A., and has been a trustee of St. Frances Xavier cathedral for more than fifteen years. As a democrat he is very prominent and has served four years as chairman of the democratic county committee; in 1892, he was doorkeeper at the convention which nominated Cleveland for the presidency of the United States, and he has never missed a democratic state convention since he became a voter. A business man of inflexible integrity and an open-hearted, liberal gentleman as well as a useful citizen, Mr. McCarthy is well deserving notice among the worthy patrons of this work.

**M**ICHAEL FOX, the well-known dealer in boots and shoes, in Seymour, Jackson county, Ind., was born in Prussia, March 8, 1845, a son of Jacob and Mary (Huffman) Fox, who were the

parents of six children, of whom the elder three were born in Europe and the younger three were born in America, and in order of birth were named Matthias, Nicholas, Michael, Peter, Jacob and Hugo. The parents and the three European-born children came to the United States in 1847 and settled in Jennings county, Ind., where they bought a farm in the wilderness, from which the timber had to be cleared in order to make room for a log cabin. There, also, the father followed his trade of shoemaking, and there the mother died in 1853, the children then being all under twelve years of age. The father next married Mary Blaze, a native of Germany, and to this union were born three children, viz: Mary (now the wife of George Hessel-denze, of Martinsville, Ind.), and Maggie and George, both deceased. The father died in 1868, a devout Catholic and a respected citizen.

Of the six children born to Jacob and Mary (Huffman) Fox, Matthias, born June 11, 1842, married, in 1871, Maggie Cracken-berger, by whom he became the father of six children, viz: Peter, who died in infancy; Anna, married to Frederick Hodap, and residing in Seymour; William, Jennie, Ambrose and Fred. Matthias Fox is a shoemaker, has lived in Seymour thirteen years, and is now working for his brother Michael, our subject. Nicholas, the second son of Jacob and Mary Fox, is a wagonmaker by trade, is married to Louise Olinger, and lives in North Vernon, Ind.; Michael will be further spoken of; Peter, a wagonmaker and married to Elizabeth Kirsh, resides in Indianapolis; Jacob, also of Indianapolis, is a stationary engineer and is married to Lena Rutz; Hugo, who was reared a shoemaker, is married to Mary Moore, and is at present in the liquor business in Seymour.

The paternal grandparents of this family, Nicholas and Elizabeth Fox, came to the United States, with all the other members of the Fox family, in the year 1847, and were among the pioneers of Jennings county, Ind., and, being devout Catholics, assisted in building one of the first church-edifices consecrated to that faith in the county. Nicholas, the grandfather, and Jacob, his eldest son (father of Michael, our subject), had been soldiers in the German army, although Nicholas was an only son. Of the other eight chil-



dren born to Nicholas and Elizabeth Fox, beside Jacob, of whom mention has already been fully made, Michael is a shoemaker of North Madison, Ind.; Lena is married to Peter Robineus, of Madison; Hugo is in Nemaha county, Kans.; Nicholas died in Jennings county, Ind.; Elizabeth is married to Gregor Kline, of Madison; Susan is the wife of John Augustine, of the same city; Peter, a shoemaker, died in Vernon, Ind., and Mary, who was married to John Kirsh, died in Jennings county in 1868.

Michael Fox, the subject proper of this memoir, remained on the home farm until his father's death in 1868, in the meanwhile attending school and learning the shoemaker's trade. In 1872, he was united in marriage, at St. James' church (Buena Vista), Rev. Father Merz officiating, with Miss Ella Gallagher, daughter of John and Mary (Griffin) Gallagher. Mr. and Mrs. Gallagher were natives of Ireland, but were married in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1845, and moved to Jennings county, Ind., in 1851, where Mr. Gallagher was a contractor on the B. & O. railroad, and where he died in 1863, his widow surviving until 1881. Of their eleven children, the following grew to maturity: John, in Cincinnati, Ohio; Ella, now Mrs. Fox; Jennie, wife of Wendell Baker, of Evansville, Ind.; George, in Cincinnati, and James and Patrick, both deceased, leaving families. To Mr. and Mrs. Fox have been born nine children, in the following order: Rose E., who is married to J. W. Driscoll, of Seymour, and has one son, Leo; Charles A.; Alice M.; Flora B., George J., Nellie A., Leo M., Esther M. and May Edna, the three last named being deceased. With the exception of Rose E., all the survivors are still under the parental roof.

Soon after his marriage, Mr. Fox settled in Seymour, although he had, as far back as 1863, made his home in this town, remaining a few years. On permanently settling here, Mr. Fox worked as a journeyman for Joseph Geiger a short time, and then began business, in a small way, on his own account; he gradually added to his stock of boots and shoes, and being an excellent salesman as well as shoemaker, and, moreover, a strictly honest man, his trade soon began to increase, and he now has a superior stock of footwear on hand and is the second oldest business man in Seymour. For many years he has been a trustee of St. Ambrose church, is an

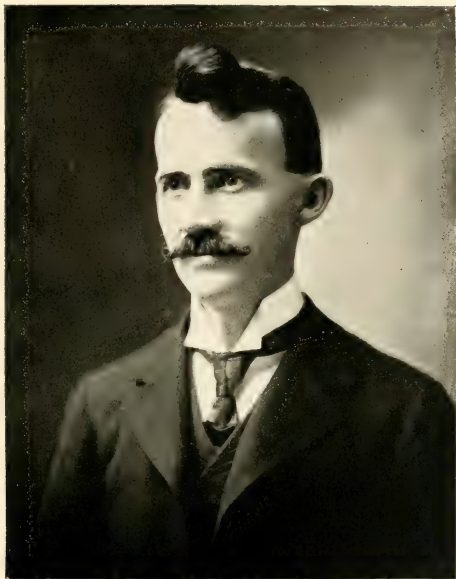
active member of St. Ambrose Benevolent society, and has been a city commissioner the past eight years. He built and owns his brick block, which comprises his dwelling, store and workshop — all under one roof. He and family are highly respected in both church and society circles, and are well known as among the most liberal supporters of the Catholic church and its work in Seymour.

**J**OHAN H. McMORROW, real estate and insurance agent and a well-known Catholic citizen of Indianapolis, was born at Cohoes, Albany county, N. Y., December 9, 1859. His father, Francis McMorrow, died when the subject of this sketch was in his infancy. His mother, who before her marriage was Miss Mary McCusker, was born in Dublin, Ireland, and came to the United States in her youth.

John H. McMorrow attended the public schools and also the parochial schools of his parish in his early youth, securing an education such as would tend to fit him for an active business life. In 1889 he went west, locating in Minneapolis, Minn., and in 1890 he finally located in Indianapolis, to take charge of the carpet house of W. H. Rowls. Still later he purchased the insurance and real estate business of Powell & Prather, which he has since conducted with success. He is a man possessing fine business qualifications, and is highly esteemed as a man and citizen.

Mr. McMorrow was married June 22, 1892, to Miss Mary L. G. McKernan, daughter of David S. McKernan, and granddaughter of James and Susan McKernan, who were among the earlier and more prominent Catholic settlers of Indianapolis. Mrs. McMorrow was born at Kentland, Ind., and by her marriage to Mr. McMorrow she is the mother of three daughters, viz: Marie, Francis Lucile and Rose Mary.

Mr. McMorrow is a member of Brownson council, No. 272, Young Men's institute, and has served as grand vice-president of the Indiana jurisdiction of that order. He is held in high esteem by all his neighbors and friends, and has a large circle of acquaintances in the city of Indianapolis and the state of Indiana. The



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family are members of Sts. Peter and Paul's church, and reside at No. 120 New Nineteenth street; his office is suite No. 2, Thorpe block, and his specialty is that of fire and accident insurance.

**F**ERDINAND J. FRALICH, the well-known lumber merchant of Tipton, Ind., was born near Greenville, Darke county, Ohio, March 28, 1854, a son of Jacob and Sofia (Caron) Fralich, both natives of Germany, but who came to the United States in early life and were married in Ohio, where the mother died in 1865, leaving four children, viz: Ferdinand J.; Jacob, who resides in Fayette county, Ill.; Peter, who died in Sheridan county, Kans.; and Veronica, wife of William Ashman, who resides near Greenville, Ohio. Jacob Fralich, the father, is now a retired farmer of Fayette county, Ill., and by a second marriage has had born to him four children, named Ella, Charles, Emma and Mary.

Ferdinand J. Fralich was reared on the home farm until thirteen years of age, receiving a limited education in the parochial schools—partly in Darke county, Ohio, and partly in Fayette county, Ill. At the age mentioned, young Fralich left the Illinois farm and returned to Ohio and lived with his maternal uncle, Ferdinand Caron, a farmer of Darke county, until nineteen years old. He then worked a year in a furniture factory at Greenville, Ohio, and then in a sash and door factory in Union City, Ind., and there became acquainted with Miss Catherine Kuntz, a native of Darke county, Ohio, and a daughter of Martin and Hetwick Kuntz, to whom he was united in marriage by Rev. Jeremiah Quinlin, in November, 1875. This congenial union has been blessed with ten children, viz: Peter J., Lewis M., Mary V., Charles F., Clara J., Anna and Joseph, all living, and Rosa, George and Agnes, deceased.

After his marriage Mr. Fralich established a lumber yard in Union City, but a year later removed to Bradford Junction, Miami county, Ohio, where he was engaged in the same line of business seven years; he next removed to Piqua, and for seven years was there also engaged in the lumber trade, and then came to Tipton,

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purchased ground, built his lumber plant, and erected a handsome residence on Mill street. He also has yards in Kempton, Tipton county, and in Atlanta, Hamilton county, Ind., as well as real estate of much value in both of these towns, and in the city of Tipton. Mr. Fralich is likewise a stockholder in the Citizens' Natural Gas company, of Tipton, of which he was one of the organizers, and of which he is now serving his third term as president. He has made his own way through the world, and his great success is due solely to his business sagacity and admirable management.

Mr. Fralich has served several years as trustee of St. John the Baptist church, at which he and family all worship, and to the support of which he is very generous in his contributions, and he is also an active member of St. John's Benevolent society. He is numbered among the most substantial business men of Tipton, and among the most respected and useful citizens, and well deserves the high esteem in which he is universally held.

**J**OHN FREEL, a well-known member of St. Patrick's parish, Terre Haute, and a trustee of the church, was born in county Donegal, Ireland, August 15, 1845, and is a son of Patrick and Margaret (Mahan) Freel, both parents natives of the Emerald isle.

The subject remained in his native land until 1868, at which time he came to the United States, landing at Castle Garden, New York, in August of that year, and proceeding thence to Terre Haute, Ind., where his elder brother, Edward, had for some time been residing. Mr. Freel's first employment in the new country was peddling, which he followed until March, 1872, when he began working in the Terre Haute Car works, beginning as a laborer in the lumber yard, and later took charge of the measuring department, which he still continues. He has been a trusted employee, ever alive to the interests of the firm with which he is identified, and enjoys the esteem and confidence of a large circle of friends and acquaintances in his adopted city.

On the 22nd day of October, 1874, the marriage of Mr. Freel

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and Annie Hagerty, a native of Donegal, Ireland, was duly solemnized according to the solemn form of the holy Catholic church, a union severed by the death of Mrs. A. Freel in 1886. She left two sons, Patrick, born December 7, 1875, and John, whose birth occurred September 16, 1880.

On the 27th day of February, 1889, Mr. Freel entered into the marriage relation with Ella C. Burns, who was born in the city of Terre Haute, December 24, 1853, a daughter of John Burns, a native of Ireland. John Burns became a resident of Terre Haute in 1851, served in the late Rebellion, and died in 1877 in the National Soldiers' home, Dayton, Ohio.

Mr. Freel's second marriage has been blessed with two children, viz: Mary, born December 8, 1889, and Robert Burns, July 31, 1893. Mr. Freel was reared in the Mother church and has never departed from the faith of his childhood. He and family belong to St. Patrick's parish, of which they are valued members, and he is an active worker in the total abstinence society connected with the church.

**I**GNATIUS FREIBURGER, foreman of the White Fruit house of Fort Wayne, Ind., is a native of France, was born September 16, 1854, and is a son of Ignatius and Theressa (Gerardin) Freiburger, who were born, respectively, in 1816 and 1819, became the parents of ten children, came to the United States in 1857, and settled on a farm in Pleasant township, Allen county, Ind., but in 1885 retired to Fort Wayne.

Ignatius Freiburger, the subject, spent his childhood days on his father's farm, attended the public schools until fourteen years old, and then became a clerk for Gerardin Bros., with whom he remained five years, attending a commercial school in the meanwhile. He next entered the employ of J. B. White, proprietor of the famous Fort Wayne Fruit house, and in a very few years attained the responsible position of foreman, which he has since retained. August 30, 1881, Mr. Freiburger was united in marriage with Miss Mary Schweiters, who was born in Allen county in 1859, a daughter of Hermann and Catherine Schweiters, and

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to this happy marriage have been born six children, viz: Frank L., Marcellus J., Amelia May, Clarence H. and Lawrence I. (twins and Helen. The family are members of St. Paul's Catholic church. Mr. Freiburger is a member of the Catholic Knights of America, branch No. 103. and is the present vice-president of the state organization. In politics Mr. Freiburger is a sound democrat, but has never sought public office, being content to pursue the routine of his business life, watching the interests of the firm by which he is employed and faithfully attending to the duties of the responsible position which he has attained through his personal merits and adherence to duty.

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**J** FREMONT FREY, foreman of the stereotyping department of the Indianapolis Journal, and a well-known and highly esteemed Catholic citizen of Indianapolis, resides with his family at No. 806 East Eleventh street. Mr. Frey is a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, was born September 6, 1862, and his father, Adolph Frey, is also a native of Cincinnati, but now a resident of Indianapolis. His mother is now deceased.

J. Fremont Frey has been a resident of Indianapolis since he was six years of age. He attended school from the time he was six years of age until he was twelve, at which time he began to take care of himself. For a number of years he was page of the superior court, presided over by Judge Horatio C. Newcomb and later by Judge D. W. Howe. Since 1878 Mr. Frey has been connected with the Indianapolis Journal, and since 1880 he has had charge of the stereotyping department. Although his earlier advantages for securing an education were limited, yet he has, by wide and constant reading, become a man of much information and culture, and has in this way made good and compensated for his earlier deprivations in this direction.

January 30, 1882, Mr. Frey was married to Miss Mary Behmer, daughter of Augustus and Marie J. (Fleury) Behmer, the former of whom is a German by birth, and the latter a native of that part of Switzerland bordering on France. Coming to the United States



in early life, they were married in Cincinnati, and Mr. Behmer is at the present time a resident of Indianapolis, to which place the family removed in 1865. The mother of Mrs. Frey is deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Frey have had six children, three of whom are still living, viz: Mary F., Lillian H. A. and Herman A. The children that have died were named Fremont E., Vivian M. and Joseph N.

While Mr. Frey was not of Catholic parentage, yet he is now a Catholic, having received the holy ordinance of baptism on January 30, 1882, which was administered by the Rev. Father Alerding. Mr. Frey has given much attention to the study of music, and the success with which he met in this respect is due in no small degree to his excellent wife, who in her youth was finely educated in this art. Mr. Frey has written a number of scores and excels in performing on the zither. For five years both Mr. and Mrs. Frey were members of the choir of St. Joseph's parish, and Mr. Frey is a member of the Young Men's institute, council No. 272. Taking all things into consideration, it is not too much to say that Mr. and Mrs. Frey are among the best and most useful members of general society and have the esteem of all that know them.

**J**OSEPH A. FRIES, a well-known miller and hardware merchant of Brookville, Franklin county, Ind., was born ten miles from Frankfort, Germany, March 19, 1831, a son of Michael and Barbara (Summer) Fries.

Michael Fries was born in the city of Frankfort in 1802, was a surveyor by profession and followed that calling for nearly twenty-five years, and then lived on a farm until 1837, when he brought his family to America, landing in Boston, Mass., whence he came, via the Cumberland canal and Ohio river to Cincinnati and across the country to St. Peter's, Franklin county, Ind., and settled on a farm on Blue creek, where his wife died in 1863. The following year he retired from active business and expired in the faith of the Catholic church in 1889. To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Fries, which took place about 1824, there were born eight children, viz: Peter, deceased; Tony, living in Cincinnati; Michael J. and George

A. an Elderly-Clerg. Barbara, widow of Benedict Hedrick of Harrison, Ohio; Mary, wife of Edward Bonnessel of Brookville, Indiana; wife of William Blackman, of LaFayette, Ind.; and Joseph A., the subject.

Joseph A. Fries was but six years of age when brought to America by his parents. He was educated in St. Peter's parochial school, and was reared to manhood on his father's farm, where he remained until about the year 1860. February 11, 1861, he was united in marriage, by the Rev. Father Longeneberry, at St. Peter's, with Miss Mary Kilton, and this union has been blessed with six children, viz: Julia, deceased; Maggie, deceased; wife of Henry H. Stewart; and Anna, Kate, Charles and Anita, all four still at home. In 1862, Mr. Fries engaged in the milling business in Brookville, and also embarked in the hardware trade, and has prospered. He and the entire family are active members of St. Michael's church, of which Mr. Fries was elected a trustee in 1887. He is also a member of St. Joseph society, and Mrs. Fries is a member of St. Mary's Ladies' society, and both are liberal in their contributions to the support of the church and are prompt in their aid to any movement designed for the good of the parish. They are highly respected in social circles and are in every sense most exemplary citizens.

JOSEPH FRIES, a well known citizen of Terre Haute and prominent member of the parish of St. Benedict, is a native of Lorraine, France, and was born on the 25th day of September, 1823. His father was Joseph Fries, also a native of Lorraine, who left the old country in 1840, and, with his family, emigrated to the United States, landing at New Orleans after an ocean voyage on a sailing vessel of sixty-two days, and proceeding at once up the Mississippi and Ohio rivers, located in Jennings county, Ind., not far from the city of Madison. There the family resided until the death of the parents, the father dying in 1862 and the mother following him to the grave four years later, both having reached the age of sixty-eight years.

The family of Joseph Fries consisted of nine children, six of

whom are still living, namely: Jacob, residing at North Leno, Jennings county, Ind.; George, a resident of Jerald, Mo.; John, a citizen of Terre Haute, Ind., wife of George Brown, who lives in the old house place in Jennings county, Pa.; whose mother is in Terre Haute, and Joseph, the subject of this memoir.

Joseph lived with his parents three years and when his parents came to the United States. His childhood years were passed in Jennings county, and during what the date of his mother's death, September 17, 1819, Mary Ann Miller, and removed to Danversville, Ohio, where he remained for a limited period, passing thence to Bowling Green, Ky., where he resided for three or four years. From the latter place he went to Harlanville, Ky., where he resided one and a half years and then became a resident of Terre Haute, Ind., where he has since lived, deriving his income and attention to mercantile business, in which he has made his first great success. In 1847 he embarked in the coal grocery trade on the corner of Third and Washington streets, and in 1851 started his present substantial business place, and has two stores back, with an addition of one store in the new stone test of south in 1856, he started another mercantile establishment, 14 x 16 feet, containing two stories, nearly which he has accumulated other valuable real estate and personal property in the city. Mr. Free is thoroughly familiar with every detail of the business with which he has been so long connected, and has earned the reputation of a careful and reliable man of affairs.

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Free, on which occasion has already been made, was duly solemnized according to the prescribed forms at the holy church by Father Weiss, and immediately upon their arrival in Terre Haute, they became members of St. Benedict's parish, with which Mr. Free is still connected. Mrs. Free was born in Prussia, but later to America with her parents while quite young and grew to womanhood in Jennings county. She was an exemplary Christian woman, devoted to the church, in the faith of which she departed this life on the 10th day of May, 1851, leaving a family of seven living children, and having provided for the needs of the just. The following are the names of those living: Lena M., wife of John E. Cox, of Terre Haute; Jacob W.

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residing in Los Angeles, Cal.; Margaret K., George B., Joseph A., Clara M. and Fred J.

Mr. Frisz is active in church work, being at this time president of the St. Francis Benevolent society; he has served as alderman from his ward, is now city commissioner, and is identified with a number of secular institutions, among which are the German Mutual Savings association of Terre Haute, and the Mutual Fire Insurance company of the city, of which he is a director.

PATRICK H. McNELIS, the genial and popular proprietor of the Occidental hotel, at Indianapolis, was born at Summit Hill, Carbon county, Pa., March 10, 1846, and was there reared to manhood. At the early age of eight years he began working in the coal mines of his native county, acquiring his education in the common school of his then backwoods district. On attaining his majority he came west, making his first stop at Morris, Ill., whence he went to Omaha, Denver and Cheyenne, making a short stay at each place, then worked awhile in the quartz-mills at Blackhawk, Gilpin county, Colo., after which he returned to Denver and entered the employ of the Union Pacific railroad company, with which he remained until August, 1869. In April, 1871, he settled in Indianapolis, and for four years was engaged in various kinds of labor, and then began business on his own account. In October, 1890, he became proprietor of the Occidental hotel, which he has placed upon a sound footing and rendered one of the most favorite resorts for travelers, as well as an abiding place for many permanent residents of the city.

In 1874 Mr. McNelis became a member of division No. 2, Ancient Order of Hibernians, and no man has done more for the good of the order in Marion county than he. He was elected president of his division in 1875, and in 1877 was made state president, in which capacity he has served four years; at the Chicago convention of the order in Chicago, in 1882, he was elected national secretary, and served until 1890; in January, 1893, he was made county treasurer, and has since filled the office with great ability and to the satisfaction of all concerned. Mr. McNelis



*J. H. McNeil*



has attended every political convention of the anti-slave cause since 1840, and has done more than any other towards its effective success, method and discipline in the anti-slavery cause.

Mr. Wilson has been twice elected to the Legislature of 1845, while at present in his native state, in that State (Massachusetts) a vigorous and zealous coadjutor, who died in October of the following year. In September, 1847, was introduced his meeting with his personal and intimate friend (and brother) John, a native of Middlebury, Conn., very Rev. Dr. W. D. Douglass, gentleman, the secretary. Two sessions have been held in the state, the first of which had a strategy, the other, March 11, a general appeal to the people of the state, "The People of the State of Massachusetts, to the People of the State of Massachusetts." Mr. Wilson is an active politician and prominent leader of the anti-slavery cause. He is usually a delegate to the annual and state conventions, and his influence in behalf of his party has been great in nearly every campaign in the last twenty years. He is a prominent member of a number of societies, including the American and Foreign Society for the Relief of the Poor.

It is hardly Mr. Wilson is generally popular and much to point to many his years and of his. Every representation of the Legislature is under his able management, and as a result the house is a most efficient body with great who appreciate the many merits of his work and are able to reach from the people both individually and collectively, and thus to secure for the people of the Legislature.

The parents of Mr. Wilson were John Wilson and Catherine Kelley, both natives of New England. The latter died about thirty-five years of his life in the French State and was in 1840, in the county of York, Maine, where he was still lived at that time, having reached the age of 100 years. Of their family of thirteen children, but two are now living, viz. Hugh, John, Patrick, James and Catherine, all of whom, with the exception of John, are married and have a family.

He is a member of the Anti-Slavery Society of the State of Massachusetts, and has often and given his services to the cause of the people of the State, who are generally known for his many other valuable personal acts of courtesy.

MARTIN FRIEDMAN, the oldest and best-known druggist in Jasper, Dubois county, Ind., was born in Baden, Germany, in November, 1823, the second of a family of ten children born to Joseph Friedman, an agriculturist, who came with his family to America in 1831, sailing from Havre, France, and landing in New York. Joseph Friedman resided in Berks county, Pa., until 1837, then in Cincinnati, Ohio, three months, and then settled in Dubois county, Ind., where he passed the remainder of his life and where he and wife died in the faith of the Catholic church, of which they had been life-long members.

Martin Friedman was a lad of fourteen years when brought to Dubois county by his parents. He was educated in the common schools, such as they were at that early day, and, August 24, 1846, was united in marriage, by the pioneer priest, Father Kundeck, to Miss Veronica Gramelspacher, a native of Germany, who came to America at the age of fourteen years. This marriage was blessed with one son and nine daughters, of whom five still survive, viz: Rosa, wife of Joseph A. Mehringer, manager of Mr. Friedman's drug store; Sarah, wife of Prof. Dougherty, proprietor of the Indiana hotel, at Jasper; Juliana, wife of Louis H. Sturm, hardware merchant, of Jasper; Theresa, wife of William C. Binckley, editor of the Jasper Courier, and Minnie, wife of Frank C. Kuebler, a jeweler of Jasper. After over half a century of happy married life, Mrs. Veronica Friedman was called to rest May 11, 1897, in the faith of the Catholic church, and her mortal remains now repose beneath a beautiful monument erected to her memory in St. Joseph's cemetery.

Martin Friedman began his business career in Jasper in 1855, when he joined his brother, Joseph, as a merchant. In 1857, he engaged in the hotel business, and also in the drug trade with Dr. Huber, continuing the latter partnership for three years. In 1860 he embarked in the drug business on his sole account, and for thirty years, by his honorable dealing and courteous treatment of his patrons, has acquired a competency. His present store, first-class in all respects, is located at the corner of Main and Sixth streets, and its prescription department is acknowledged to be the equal of any in the county.



In politics Mr. Friedman has always been a staunch democrat, and has served the people of Jasper for many years as their efficient postmaster. As a Catholic he has been active and liberal all his life, and has been a trustee of St. Joseph's church longer than any other member of that congregation. Father Fidelis and he selected the first stone used in the erection of the magnificent church-edifice of St. Joseph, which is considered to be the finest in the diocese of Vincennes, its cost to the parish having reached \$200,000. Mr. Friedman is passing his declining years in peace and contentment, surrounded by relatives and friends most dear to him, and honored by each and every resident of Jasper.

JOHN JACOB FRITZER, of South Bend, Ind., and one of the brave defenders of the flag of the Union during the recent Civil war, was born in Coblenz, Germany, January 9, 1838, a son of John and Barbara Wilkes Fritzer, the former of whom was born in 1802 and the latter in 1808, in the same city, where their marriage took place in 1830. To this union were born five children, in the following order: Elizabeth, now the wife of John Horner, of South Bend; Susan, wife of Frederick Miekes, of Nebraska; Nicholas, deceased; Peter, of Furnas county, Neb., and John Jacob, the subject of this memoir.

In 1853, John Fritzer came to America and landed with his wife and five children in Quebec, Canada, whence, via railroad to Buffalo, N. Y., and lake to Toledo, Ohio, and rail again, he reached South Bend, September 13, of the same year. Mr. Fritzer bought a tract of land in the vicinity, and began farming operations, but was unfortunately seized by paralysis and died September 3, 1854, his youngest child, our subject, being then six years of age.

John J. Fritzer had received a fair education in the parochial schools of his native country, and after reaching South Bend served an apprenticeship at the carpenter's trade, which he followed until the war-cloud burst and shed its rain of fire over the land, when he enlisted, December 14, 1861, in company E, Forty-

rights present. Several excellent industry (Colonel Eddy commencing with the first part and part of the thirty others, some of his relatives and others, and the public sentiment had caused that Colonel was promptly promoted and received an honorable discharge on the completion of his term of service.

Mr. Fritzer, on returning from the defense of his country's flag, was united in marriage, April 17, 1865, at St. Patrick's church, South Bend, with Miss Theresa Stange, Father William Corby performing the ceremony. This union has resulted in the birth of ten children, of whom eight are still living, and all of whom are faithful devotees of the Catholic church. From 1865 to 1885, Mr. Fritzer was engaged in carpentry and stone masonry, doing much excellent work, and in the latter year engaged with George Wyman & Co., dry-goods merchants, of whose carpet department he is now the manager. He and his family are all members of St. Patrick's church, to the maintenance of which they liberally contribute, and Mr. Fritzer is a member of St. John's Benevolent society, and is also a charter member of the branch of the Catholic Knights of America at South Bend. The social standing of the family is all that could be desired, and the name of Fritzer is the synonym of respect wherever known.

**MICHAEL MCNELIS**, of Huntingburg Ind, is a son of Owen and Bridget Moore McNelis, who were natives of Ireland and before that country where Michael was born March 25, 1825, he there attended the National schools, and at the age of sixteen began handling liquors for himself, and then for ten years was engaged in the manufacture of brick. June 22, 1870, he came to the United States, and located in Huntingburg, where he has since done a flourishing trade as a brick manufacturer, and is now treasurer of the Huntingburg Dry Press Brick company.

He was united in marriage to Anna Klee, daughter of Frank Klee, of Dubois county, October 20, 1891. They had but one child, Michael Jr., who was born August 22, 1892. The mother of the boy was killed in last July earthquake, a sincere member of St. Mary's church, of which Mr. McNelis is also a devoted member.



MICHAEL MCNEILIS





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land. May 18, 1897, he purchased the mill at Ireland, which is one of the best plants in this county. It originally cost \$13,000. It has a full set of first-class steel rollers, has a capacity of 100 barrels per day, requires the employment of five men the year round, and the trade is mostly local. He has used every endeavor to make the mill first-class in detail, and in this has met with a decided success.

Mr. Fritch has erected a neat home in Ireland, and is a holder of considerable real estate in Dubois county. Politically he is a true democrat and cast his first presidential vote for Hon. Samuel J. Tilden, in 1876. Mr. and Mrs. Fritch are classed among the leading citizens and laity of Ireland parish.

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**J**ACOB JOSEPH FULLENKAMP, a well-known citizen of Decatur, Ind., was born in the parish of Bersenbruck, Hanover, Germany, August 24, 1848, son of Nicholas and Elizabeth Fullenkamp, both natives of the same country.

Nicholas Fullenkamp was born in the year 1803, attended the schools of Woltrop, Hanover, until his fourteenth year and later learned the distiller's trade, which he followed until his death in 1853. He was married, in 1835, to Elizabeth Metzger, who bore him several children, of whom the following are now living: Dedrick, who resides in Tutingen, Germany; Catherine, also living in the fatherland, and the subject of this mention.

Until his sixteenth year, Jacob Joseph Fullenkamp attended the schools of Ankum, his native town, and became an apprentice to learn the baker's trade, which calling he followed four years in Germany. He then came to the United States, landing in New York city in 1866, and proceeded to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he worked at his trade about one year. From Cincinnati he came to Decatur, Ind., for the purpose of visiting an aunt, Mrs. Holthouse, but before the termination of his visit concluded to make the city his home, securing in the meantime a clerkship with the hardware firm of Crabb & Son, in whose employ he continued ten years. During the years from 1870 to 1896 Mr. Fullenkamp clerked in a

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general store belonging to Mrs. Bremerkamp, which stock he purchased in the latter year, and has since been proprietor of the establishment, doing a safe and profitable business.

Mr. Fullenkamp and Mary Klephake were united in the holy bonds of wedlock October 18, 1870, in St. Mary's church, Decatur, the pastor, Father Wemhoff, performing the ceremony. The family of Mr. and Mrs. Fullenkamp consists of the following children: Addie, wife of Frank Gass; Clara, Mamie, Bertha, Rosa, Lettie, William, and Herbert, all of whom, with the parents, are devoted members of St. Mary's church. Four sons are deceased. Mr. Fullenkamp has served as trustee of the church and is an active member of the society of St. Joseph.

REV. JOHN JOSEPH M. GABRIEL, pastor of St. Joseph's church, St. Joseph's Hill, Clark county, Ind., was born April 29, 1836, at Eunetburgen, canton Unterwalden, Switzerland. His early studies were pursued for six years in his native country, three of which were spent in Einsiedeln. On coming to America he finished his studies by a three-year course at Vincennes, Ind., and was ordained, by Bishop de St. Palais, August 20, 1862. His appointments were in St. John's, Clark county, from September, 1862, until February, 1872, attending, also, St. Mary's, Floyd county, and Bradford, Harrison county; from February, 1872, until January, 1874, he was at Napoleon, Ripley county, attending also Osgood, in the same county; from January, 1874, till July of the same year, he had charge of St. Mary of the Rocks, Franklin county, and also had charge of the mission at Wolf creek.

July 28, 1874, he was appointed pastor of St. Joseph's, in Dearborn county, Ind., where he labored assiduously and zealously until November 5, 1896. While there he covered all the necessary expenses, including repairs and improvements, purchased a house and outbuildings at an outlay of \$1,200, paid off the church debt, and left behind a sum of \$1,600 to meet contingent and necessary expenses. November 6, 1896, Father Gabriel succeeded Rev. Kilian Schott as pastor of St. Joseph's, in Clark county,

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Rev. Schott being transferred to St. Anthony's, at Evansville. From February, 1892, Father Schott had officiated at St. Joseph's, and during his stay a spacious and substantial school-building was erected, two stories in height and including ample rooms for the teachers. Before he left, November 6, 1896, the last debt due on the church property, amounting to \$300, had been paid. Father Gabriel has done much zealous and faithful work since becoming pastor of St. Joseph's and is greatly venerated by his flock and the citizens generally on account of his piety and his unusually equable disposition.

**J**OHNS HAWKINS MAHONEY, the renowned sculptor of Indianapolis, with his studio at (new) No. 909 Huron street, is a native of Wales, was born June 24, 1854, and in 1858 was brought to America by his parents, Michael and Bridget Hawkins Mahoney, natives of Ireland, who, on coming to America, first located in North Vernon, Jennings county, Ind., and in 1868 came to Indianapolis, where the father, who was born in November, 1829, still resides, and where the mother, who was also born in 1829, was called to rest in the faith of the Catholic church November 23, 1891. They were the parents of the following-named children: John H., the subject of this memoir; Frank, who died in 1890; Henry; Daniel, a grocer; Michael, assistant superintendent of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company, and three daughters, who died in childhood.

John H. Mahoney was educated in the public and parochial schools of North Vernon and was then apprenticed to a marble cutter, with whom he remained three and a half years, and while engaged in this work he acquired a wonderful talent as a sculptor, and in this art he is now a recognized proficient. In 1876-77, he attended the Art school of Indianapolis, then had a course of instruction in Rome, Italy, and was thus fully qualified for his life-work. His first competitive work was the Morton McMichael statue, in Philadelphia, Pa., a work of art that now ornaments Fairmount park and reflects great credit upon the sculptor; his second work of note was the bronze statue of Pere Menard, which





John A. Mahoney



was presented to the state of Illinois by Charles Chouteau, of St. Louis, and now stands in Springfield, the capital of the Prairie state; his next great work was the Charles West statue at Cincinnati, Ohio; following that was his three-year task, resulting in the production of the National Pilgrim monument at Plymouth, Mass., which embodies two colossal figures of Law and Freedom, and two large bas-relievo sculptures representing the "Landing and treaty of the Pilgrims with the Indians." The statue of Henry Berg, the founder of the Humane society, which stands in front of the city hall at Milwaukee, Wis., and the Wm. H. English statue, erected in the city of English, Ind., are also the result of his genius and the work of his hands.

In Indianapolis he has designed and chiseled and caused to be erected, three of the subsidiary statues around the Soldiers and Sailors' monument in Monument Place, viz: That of Gen. George Rogers Clarke, the famous conqueror of the northwest; that of Gen. William Henry Harrison, the hero of Tippecanoe and ninth president of the United States, and that of James Whitcomb, governor of Indiana during the Mexican war period. These works by no means constitute the labors of Mr. Mahoney, but are mentioned as being among those which are always before the public and most popularly familiar—several other pieces being on the battle field of Gettysburg.

The marriage of Mr. Mahoney was solemnized in 1876, at St. Patrick's church, Indianapolis, with Miss Ellen Lonergan, a native of New Jersey, who came to Indianapolis in childhood and was educated at St. John's academy. Four children have blessed this union and are named in order of birth: Catherine, John M., Nellie and Esther. Of these, Catherine is a graduate of St. Patrick's parochial school, which school the younger children are still attending—the family all being members of St. Patrick's church. Mr. Mahoney in politics is a democrat, but, as a rule, is not aggressive as a politician, his art being the chief engrossment of his time and attention, thought and labor, yet he has served as councilman at large for the city, and as president of the council. He is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and Celtic club of Indianapolis, and the Portfolio club, the latter being composed of artists,

musicians and literary authors; he has been president of both clubs, and has been elected as honorary member of the Art association of Indianapolis.

**JOSEPH W. FROMEYER.**—Among the many active, enterprising business men of Indianapolis, is Joseph W. Fromeyer, who lives at No. 1403 Lexington avenue. He is a representative of the Standard Oil company, and has been connected with that company for many years. He is a son of John Frederick and Mary Elizabeth Fromeyer, both natives of Germany, and was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1857. Soon after their marriage these parents emigrated to the United States, became early residents of Cincinnati, and there passed the remainder of their lives.

John Frederick Fromeyer was born in 1808 and died in 1873, and his wife survived him a number of years, passing away at the age of seventy-two. The former was a typical German gentleman of the old school, was of sterling character, rugged honesty, a devout Catholic, was well educated, possessed an extensive fund of information and was of great service to the church, contributing liberally to its material and moral support. By both word and example he aided it largely in its prosperity and growth. He formed a personal acquaintance with the leading divines of his day, notably Archbishop Purcell, of whom he was an adviser and friend. After the destruction by fire of Holy Trinity church, he was very active in its reconstruction, and he was a trustee of the church for many years. He was also a trustee of St. Joseph's Cemetery association, in the cemetery of which association his remains and those of his wife lie buried. His wife was of equally sterling character with himself, and was especially remarkable for her business qualifications, which were of a superior order.

Joseph W. Fromeyer and his sister, the latter being a resident of Cincinnati, are the only surviving members of the family. The former was educated at the schools of St. Xavier, St. Augustine and St. Anthony, Cincinnati, and took his first communion at the church of St. Anthony. At the age of nineteen he began business as a traveling salesman, going out from Cincinnati, and later he

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was transferred to Peoria, Ill., in the interest of what is now the Standard Oil company. In 1879 he was transferred by the company to Dayton, Ohio, where he established the business of the company. In fact, the establishment of branch houses was his regular business for many years, going out from Logansport, Ind., for the most part, and extending to all the more important points in the state.

In January, 1897, Mr. Fromeyer was transferred to Indianapolis and given charge of the entire state of Indiana, with thirty-two sub-stations and 125 employees. This responsible position requires a great deal of travel on his part, and the office in Indianapolis requires sixteen clerks.

Mr. Fromeyer was married at Lafayette, Ind., in St. Ann's church, by the Rev. Father Roche, November 2, 1890, to Miss Catherine Flatley, a native of that city. They have two children, viz: William and Josephine. From the above brief recital it will appear that Mr. Fromeyer is a successful business man, and his long connection with the Standard Oil company is proof sufficient of his honesty and valuable qualities as well as of the appreciation of those qualities by that company.

HENRY W. FRUND, secretary and manager of the Vincennes, Ind., Electric Light & Power company, was born in Columbus, Ohio, December 31, 1858, a son of Durus and Mary (Geilsdorf) Frund.

Durus Frund was a native of Alsace-Lorraine, and was married in Columbus, Ohio, to Miss Geilsdorf, who was born in Germany. He was a mechanic, and in 1865 came to Vincennes, where he became purchasing agent for the Evansville & Terre Haute Railway company, and later became weighmaster for the city, which position he was filling at the time of his death, which occurred January 31, 1896. His widow, a highly respected lady, resides at No. 1120 Main street. Of the five living children born to Mr. and Mrs. Frund, Henry W. is the eldest; August J. is manager of the D. M. Osborn Manufacturing company, has his head-

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quarters at Louisville, Ky., and is married; William M., married, is inspector of the Vincennes electric lights; George G. is a theological student in his seventh year at Mount St. Mary's seminary, Cincinnati, Ohio; and Mary S. is stenographer for the Vincennes City Electric Light company.

Henry W. Frund was educated under private tutors until the family came to Vincennes, after which he attended St. Francis Xavier parochial school, St. John's German Catholic school, and the city high school; his technical education is the result of self-instruction. For thirteen years he was chief clerk of the Knox county circuit court, and about ten years ago became an employee of the Vincennes Electric Light company in a subordinate capacity, and through his close attention to his duties and his intelligent performance of the same, he has been promoted from post to post until he has reached his present very responsible and prominent position, being also a stockholder and a member of the board of directors.

Mr. Frund was married, April 9, 1883, by Rt. Rev. Bishop J. J. Hogan, at the cathedral in Kansas City, Mo., to Miss Ella Reiter, a daughter of Gerard Reiter, formerly a prominent merchant of Vincennes, but now deceased. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Frund has been blessed with three children, of whom Charlotte, the eldest, died in infancy, the survivors being named Naomi Scott and Olivia Francesca. The church relations of the family are with St. Francis Xavier cathedral, and in his political affiliations Mr. Frund is democratic, as was his father. Although he has served as election commissioner, and circuit court clerk, as already mentioned, he has never been an office seeker, yet takes great delight in the triumph of his party and does all in his power to promote its success.

JAMES H. GALLAGHER, a worthy member of the Church of the Assumption, is a native of the state of Pennsylvania and first saw the light of day on the fourth of August, 1835, in the city of Pittsburg. His father, Dennis Gallagher, was born in county

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Donegal, Ireland, and his mother, who before her marriage was Miss Harriet Burgess, was born in the town of Belfast, Me.

Dennis Gallagher was born and reared in the Catholic faith, and his wife, by birthright a Protestant, afterward became converted to Catholicity. Dennis Gallagher came to the United States when about eighteen years of age, and learned the weaver's trade in Boston, Mass., in which city he also met and married his wife. From there he went to Pittsburg, Pa., thence to Benton county, Ohio, when his son, James H., was but an infant, and there the family resided for a period of nineteen years. At the end of that time, Mr. Gallagher removed to LaFayette, Ind., where his death afterward occurred at the ripe old age of eighty-four; his widow died several years later, aged eighty-six.

Dennis and Harriet Gallagher had five sons and two daughters: the eldest, Francis, is a resident of Mount Sterling, Ohio; Mrs. Harriet Anne Simmons, the second of the family, lives in Vinton county, that state; George T. was captain of company C, Sixth Missouri cavalry, in the war of the Rebellion and fell while leading his command in the battle of Pea Ridge, Ark.; James H. is the next in order of birth; John W. died in Tippecanoe county, Ind., several years ago; Peter was a member of the Seventy-third Ohio infantry in the late war, and died at Clarksburg, Tenn., while in the service of his country; Mrs. Mary Meyers, the youngest of the family, resides in the city of LaFayette.

James H. Gallagher grew to maturity in Benton county, Ohio, and has been variously employed since reaching manhood's estate. He became a citizen of Indianapolis in May, 1887, and has since made this city his home. He was married in LaFayette, in the year 1864, to Miss Ann Smith, of Ireland, who was brought to the New World by her parents when but a child. Mrs. Gallagher was a good Catholic, a worthy woman and a most excellent wife and mother. She died leaving a family of eight children, five sons and three daughters, viz: Mrs. Anne Heidelberg, of West Indianapolis, with whom her father now resides; Mary, a Sister of Providence known as Clementina, a teacher at Chelsea, Mass.; Katherine departed this life at the age of twenty-four; John J. is a resident of Mattoon, Ill.; James F., Peter, George and William, all reside in

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Indianapolis. The subject of this sketch displayed great activity in the establishment of the church in west Indianapolis, where he lives, and has been one of its chief supporters. He has ever been esteemed a most worthy citizen and his daily life is a practical exponent of the true faith which he professes.

**J**OHAN GALLAGHER, a prominent member of St. Anthony's parish, Indianapolis, of which he is, at this time, a trustee, was born in county Mayo, Ireland, June 8, 1857, son of Michael and Bridget (Manley) Gallagher, both natives of the Emerald isle. The father died near the place of his nativity on Christmas day, 1881, and his wife, who has reached a ripe old age, resides in the city of Indianapolis. A son and a daughter are still living in the old country, and four sons and one daughter are residents of Indiana's capital city at this time.

John Gallagher remained in the land of his nativity until 1872, at which time he went to England, thence, in 1879, sailed for America, landing in the city of New York. The following year he came to Indianapolis, where he has since resided, and of which city he is a well-known and highly respected citizen. His wife, a most excellent lady, was formerly Miss Mary McManamon, a native of Indiana, born in the county of Jennings.

Mr. Gallagher was one of the early members of St. Anthony's parish, and did much towards securing and improving the fine property the parish now possesses. He served on the first board of trustees and has ever since been active in promoting the interest of the church, being a recognized leader in the congregation at the present time. He is a gentleman of education and refinement, and is highly esteemed, not only in church circles, but by all who know him.

**M**ORTIMER D. GALLIVAN, who resides at No. 831 Sanders street, Indianapolis, is a prominent and well-known Catholic citizen. He was born at Darnane Abbey, county Kerry, Ireland, his parents being Daniel and Catherine Gallivan.



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In 1851 Daniel Gallivan came to the United States to prepare a home for his family in this country, going first to the state of Massachusetts, where, in 1854, the family joined him. He, however, did not long survive, his death occurring June 29, 1855. The children at that time numbered eight, four sons and four daughters, six of whom have passed away. The two that remain are Mortimer D. and his brother John. From Massachusetts the family removed to the state of New York, locating at Moravia, Cayuga county, and when the war of the Rebellion threatened the disruption of the Union, three of the brothers entered the service of the Union. Of these Mortimer D. was the eldest, and he and his brother Patrick became members of company I, Ninth New York heavy artillery. John enlisted in the Fifty-second New York volunteer infantry. Of the artillery regiment of which the two elder brothers were members, William H. Seward, Jr., son of the famous statesman, was the lieutenant-colonel. Mr. Gallivan participated in some of the most important battles and movements of the war, among them Gen. Sheridan's famous campaign in the Shenandoah valley, and he was present at the surrender of Gen. Lee at Appomattox, April 9, 1865. The three brothers were all valuable soldiers, and were all honorably discharged at the close of the war.

Returning to his home in New York, Mortimer D. Gallivan, in connection with his brother, John, disposed of the property they owned in that state, and removed to Missouri, purchasing land in Knox county with the view of making that county a permanent residence. But ill health compelled a change of plan, and since 1871 Mortimer D. has been a resident of Indianapolis. In 1877 his brother John went to the far west, and has since that time devoted himself chiefly to mining. The mother and sisters of the subject of this sketch lie buried in Holy Cross cemetery in Indianapolis.

The first marriage of Mr. Gallivan took place in 1865 to Mary Sheehan. She died February 20, 1875, leaving three children—Daniel, Kate and John; the two former are living; John died at the age of twenty years. One son, Patrick M., died in infancy. October 14, 1884, Mortimer D. Gallivan was married to Mrs. Ellen

McQuade, whose maiden name was Sullivan. Her first husband was also a soldier of the war for the Union. By him she had four children, but all died young. Mr. and Mrs. Gallivan possess and enjoy the confidence and esteem of all their neighbors and friends.

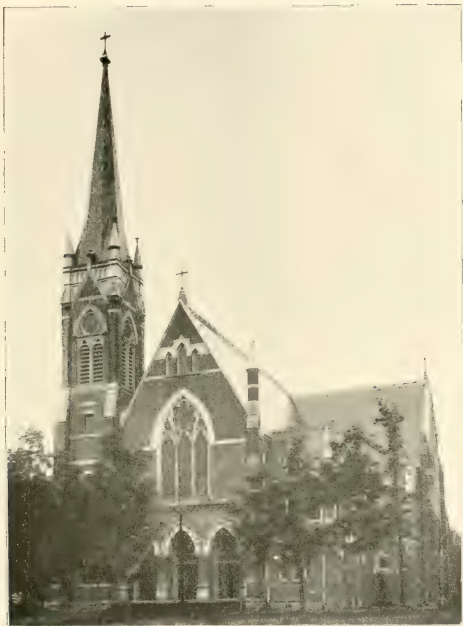
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**REV. LOUIS ALOYSIUS MOENCH**, pastor of the St. Michael's Catholic congregation of Plymouth, and also the Catholic church at Bourbon, is a native of Germany, born in Freudenberg, Baden, January 25, 1853. His early educational training was obtained in the schools of his native country, which he attended until his fourteenth year, when, in 1867, he came to the United States, landing at New York city, and moving thence to Avilla, Noble county, Ind., where he made his home for one year with Rev. Father Duehmig, pastor of the Catholic church at that place. In 1869 he went to Milwaukee, Wis., and entered the St. Francis seminary, where he completed his preparatory studies for the priesthood, and in June, 1876, was ordained priest by Bishop Dwenger, and installed as assistant pastor at Avilla, Ind., in connection with which charge he also ministered to several small congregations in the northern part of the state. He was subsequently transferred to Fort Wayne, where for eight months he was assistant at the Cathedral, and, in 1879, took charge of the congregation at Lebanon, Boone county, of which he continued as pastor until his return to Fort Wayne, in 1882. He officiated as assistant pastor of St. Mary's church for one year and one month; in February, 1883, he was transferred to Plymouth and has since had charge of the congregations at this place and Bourbon. Father Moench has become endeared to his people, and enjoys great personal popularity in Plymouth among all classes, irrespective of church or creed. His congregation numbers 105 families, one-half of whom are of Irish and one-half of German nationality, and the school enrolment reaches 115, and these are in charge of three Sisters of the Holy Cross. The life of Father Moench has indeed been fraught with good works.





*From*  
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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH,  
VALPARAISO, IND.



**J**OHAN GARRITY, of No. 319 West South street, Indianapolis, has been a resident of this city for many years. He was born in county Roscommon, Ireland, and his wife, whose maiden name was Fanny Kennedy, came to Indianapolis before her husband. She was born in county Kildare, Ireland, in August, 1839, and lived there until she was twelve years of age, having in the meantime been confirmed and having received her first communion in her native parish. She is a daughter of James and Julia Kennedy, who, when their daughter was about twelve years of age, with the family emigrated to the United States. For some time after reaching this country the family lived in New Jersey, coming to Indianapolis in 1852, where the parents lived until death. Worthy residents of St. John's parish, they were buried in Green Lawn cemetery, the only burying ground then in use. They were the parents of five children, two sons and three daughters, three of whom still survive. Of these three Mrs. Garrity is the eldest; Mrs. Margaret Kelley is the next, and John Kennedy is the youngest. All these reside in Indianapolis. Those deceased were Mary, who married Lawrence Caton and died in Minnesota, and James, who was a member of the Louisville legion, having first enlisted for 100 days and later veteranized and served until the close of the Civil war. He died unmarried in Indianapolis within a few years after the close, a member of St. John's church.

Mrs. Garrity first married Michael Fitzgerald, who was born in county Limerick, Ireland, and who came to the United States in early life. Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald were married in St. John's church, Indianapolis, in 1856. Mr. Fitzgerald, when the war of the Rebellion broke out, enlisted in the Thirty-fifth Indiana volunteer infantry, and was killed before Atlanta, Ga., July 4, 1864. Of this regiment Rev. Father Cooney was the chaplain, and it is worthy of note that on the morning of the battle in which he was killed Mr. Fitzgerald partook of holy communion, administered by Chaplain Cooney. Mr. Fitzgerald left his wife with three children, only one of whom now survives, viz: Mrs. Mary Redington, the eldest of the three. Those that died were named James and Margaret, the former dying at the age of twenty-eight, and the latter at the age of twenty.

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Mr. and Mrs. Garrity have two children, a son and a daughter. The son, William Patrick Garrity, is now in Rome preparing for the priesthood. He was born July 3, 1876. The daughter, Anna F., is living at home, and is a student of St. John's academy. Mr. and Mrs. Garrity belong to esteemed Catholic families of Indianapolis, and have always possessed the respect of all that have known them.

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FRANCIS XAVIER GANSER, the proprietor of a popular house of entertainment in Mishawaka, Ind., was born in Baltimore, Md., June 10, 1850, a son of Joseph and Anna (Davis) Ganser.

Joseph Ganser was born in Strasburg, Germany, in 1823, and was educated in the parochial schools of his native parish, and after finishing his education was apprenticed to a shoemaker. In 1835 he came to America, locating in Philadelphia, but visited various cities in the east, following his trade, and was married in 1845, the fruit of his union being: John, now of the Jesuit college, at St. Louis, Mo.; Joseph, a druggist, of Mishawaka, Ind.; Francis X., our subject; Michael and Jacob, deceased; George, of Mishawaka; August, deceased; Charles, pastor of the Catholic church in Kentland, Ind., and Stephen, of Fort Wayne, Ind.

Francis X. Ganser attended the St. Mary's parochial school at Philadelphia until twelve years of age, and then worked in a cottonmill until the family came to Mishawaka in 1861; he was employed as a clerk in a dry-goods store owned by Bingham & Hudson and later in a cabinetmaking factory, in which he remained until 1879, when he entered into his present business, to which he has ever since devoted his attention. Being a gentleman of a naturally genial disposition, he has found this occupation to be one well suited to his personal characteristics, and has made many warm friends since he has been engaged therein.

The marriage of Mr. Ganser took place May 14, 1872, at Mishawaka, to Miss Catherine Zuber, the sacrament being celebrated by Rev. A. B. Oechtering, in St. Joseph's church. To this marriage have been born six children, of whom five still survive, viz: Lawrence, Otto, Bertha, Francis and Oscar. The fam-



ily belong to St. Joseph's congregation and are true Catholics, living up to the teachings of the holy faith. Mr. Ganser has been a member of St. Joseph Benevolent society since 1872, and his wife is an active member of the Rosary society attached to same church, and their contributions to the support of the church and in aid of its good work are willingly and liberally bestowed. The children are being reared in the true faith and are being reared to become useful members of society. Mr. Ganser has been very successful in his business, and his courteous demeanor has been the chief means of making his the very popular place of resort that it is to-day.

**R**EGINALD W. GARSTANG, M. D., a rising young physician and surgeon of No. 448 Massachusetts avenue, Indianapolis, was born in Galion, Ohio, August 4, 1874, but has resided in this city the greater part of his life. He is a son of William and Mary L. (Zerbee) Garstang, the former a native of Wiggim, Lancashire, England, born February 28, 1851.

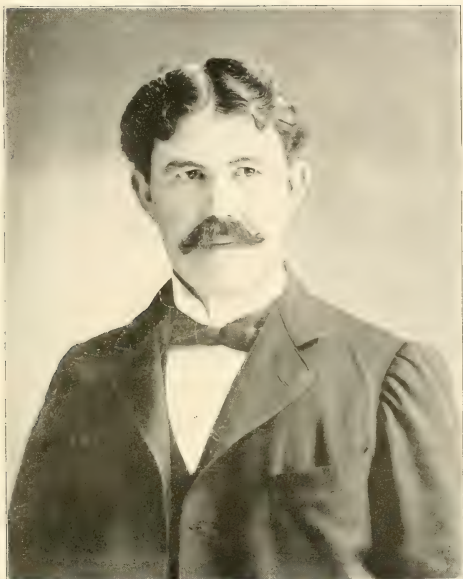
William Garstang, son of Robert and Ellen Garstang, has passed his life in the employ of railroad companies, and is now superintendent of motive power for the Big Four system, with headquarters at Indianapolis. He entered this employ in 1863, was married at Kent, Ohio, in 1873, and to his marriage have been born five children, viz: Reginald W., Wilfred Robert, Blee Francis (deceased), Mabel Lavinia and Virginia Marie. Of these Wilfred is the agent for the White Line Rapid Transit company, having received an academic education in the Virginia Military institute at Richmond; he is still unmarried and resides under the parental roof with his parents and sisters. The father is ex-president of the American Railway Master Mechanics' association, and is well known in locomotive circles as an inventor, the Garstang engine being held in high esteem both in Europe and America.

Dr. R. W. Garstang graduated from the Richmond, Va., high school in 1890, and then took a course in civil engineering at the renowned Stevens institute of Technology, at Hoboken, N. J. His first practical work was begun in the mountains of West Vir-

ginia, where he had charge of a corps of men in the survey of the Chesapeake & Ohio railway. This rugged life, with its toil and exposure, impaired his health, and he retired from the service and entered upon the study of an allied science—mechanical engineering—which he pursued eighteen months. In 1893 the family removed from Richmond, Va., to Indianapolis, Ind., and here, the same year, Reginald W. Garstang entered the Medical college of Indiana, where he completed a three-year course, graduating in 1896. Immediately thereafter he took a course of study in the post-graduate hospital of New York, and also a course in the New York Polyclinic institute. In October, 1896, he established his present office, and within a twelve-month has secured a line of practice of which any young physician might well feel proud, and, in recognition of his abilities, has been appointed surgeon of the First regiment, Indiana artillery.

The doctor is a member of Sts. Peter and Paul's congregation, is a member of the Young Men's institute, and of the Marion county Medical society and the State Medical society, as well as of the Marion club. In politics he is a republican, and socially he stands among the best residents of Indianapolis.

**M**ICHAEL M. MAHONEY, a valued employee of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company of New York, was born in North Vernon, Ind., October 5, 1868, a son of Michael and Bridget (Hawkins) Mahoney, natives of county Cork, Ireland, and also a younger brother of the famous sculptor, John H. Mahoney, whose biography is given above. The father was born September 29, 1830, and his wife was two years his senior. They were reared in the same neighborhood and were married in the city of Cork in 1852, and eight children came to bless their union, viz: Mary Ann; Henry, in Kansas; Daniel, a merchant of Indianapolis; John H., Frank, Julia, Annie and Michael M. The sons are all still living except Frank; the daughters have all been called away. The parents came to America in 1858, first located in North Vernon, and ten years later came to Indianapolis, and here the



*W. W. Mahoney*



mother was called to rest in 1891; the father now makes his home with his son, Michael M., the subject of this memoir.

Michael M. Mahoney received a thorough English education in St. Patrick's parochial school, Indianapolis, and in the city high school. He began his business career as a huckster and then engaged in the grocery business, passing five years in these occupations; he then passed a year and a half in the crockery and queensware trade. In 1889, he accepted an appointment as solicitor for the Metropolitan Life Insurance company, and three years later was promoted to be assistant manager of the Indianapolis district—the leading district in the west.

The marriage of Mr. Mahoney took place September 1, 1897, to Miss Nellie G. Carson, a native of Indianapolis, born April 6, 1878, a daughter of Peter and Mary Carson, the former a native of Ireland and the latter of Germany. Mrs. Mahoney is a highly educated lady, having first attended St. John's academy and later graduating from the city high school. Mr. Mahoney has been a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians since 1886—his father having been one of the founders of the order in the state—and he and wife are devoted members of St. Patrick's congregation, and it is needless to add that the Mahoney family is one of the oldest and most respected in the parish.

Mr. and Mrs. Mahoney reside at the old home, 514 Buchanan street, where the family located in 1868. Mr. Mahoney is the owner of real estate in the city, and has made every dollar he has. He has served as president of the Progress Building & Loan association since its organization in February, 1888; he also assisted in the organization of the Advance Building & Loan association, the Pan Handle Building & Loan and the Virginia Avenue Building & Loan associations, being a director in each. He is an active democrat, being a member of Marion county democratic central committee, and is equally active as a politician and business man.

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JOSEPH L. GASPER, of the firm of Horne & Gasper, general agents for the New England Mutual Life Insurance company at Indianapolis, was born in Vernon, Jennings county, Ind., August 2,

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1857, and is a son of John and Barbara DeVersy) Gasper, who were born in Alsace, when that province was under the dominion of France.

John Gasper and Barbara DeVersy came to the United States while yet single, and in the same vessel; they were married in Madison, Ind., where they were among the early settlers and where Mr. Gasper was for many years engaged in mercantile pursuits and later in Vernon. Their marriage was blessed with four sons and two daughters, and after a married life of over fifty years the father was called from earth, a devoted member of the Catholic church, March 6, 1896, at the age of seventy-nine years. He was a most respected citizen, and ever mindful of his religious duties, carefully rearing his children in his own faith, and his is the only death that has occurred in his family in America.

Joseph L. Gasper attended the public school at Vernon until thirteen years of age, no parochial school having been established in that town up to that date. At the age of eleven years, however, he began to work in a printing office, being permitted to remain away from school on Wednesday afternoon of each week, and devoting the whole of each Saturday to this employment. At the age of thirteen years, he began attending a Catholic school, walking a mile and a half, each way, for that purpose. At the age of fifteen years he received his first communion, and in the summer of 1873, being then sixteen years of age, came to Indianapolis, where he was employed at his trade in the office of the Journal and also in that of the Indiana Farmer. In 1878 he became connected with the city fire department as bookkeeper, and also had charge of the chemical engine of the department; this position he retained for eight years, and then resumed newspaper work, becoming connected with the Indianapolis News, and acting as correspondent for several out-of-town papers, and finally confined his attention to the News only, in the capacity of reporter. January 1, 1887, he entered upon his present business, in which he has met with the most flattering success.

Mr. Gasper was happily united in marriage, May 19, 1880, with Miss Sarah E. Johnson, of Terre Haute, Ind., and this union has been blessed with one bright boy, Vernon Joseph, who was

born October 11, 1888. Mrs. Gasper is a highly cultured lady, and, like her husband, is devotedly attached to her church. Mr. Gasper is an active and progressive citizen and takes much interest in the moral and material growth of the city. He has been a trustee of St. Joseph's parish for a number of years, is a member of Brownson council, No. 272, Young Men's institute, and as a republican has served several years as a member of the city council.

MRS. BRIDGET GAVIN, at No. 1216 Pleasant street, a woman of excellent qualities, has been a resident of St. Patrick's parish, Indianapolis, since April, 1891. She is the widow of William Gavin, who was born in Ireland, and whose father died when he was merely a youth. At the age of thirteen years William Gavin came to the United States with an elder brother, and located in Franklin county, Ind., where he grew to manhood and where he married the wife who survives him and whose name heads this article. Mr. Gavin died in the year 1890.

Mrs. Gavin's maiden name was Dugal, and she was born in county Mayo, Ireland, and when seven years of age was brought to the United States by her parents, John and Catherine (Ready) Dugal. The family settled on a farm in Franklin county, Ind., on which they lived some time, when they removed to Rush county, and still later to Johnson county, where they lived until after the death of Mr. Dugal. Then Mrs. Dugal purchased a home on McCarty street, Indianapolis, in which she passed the remainder of her life.

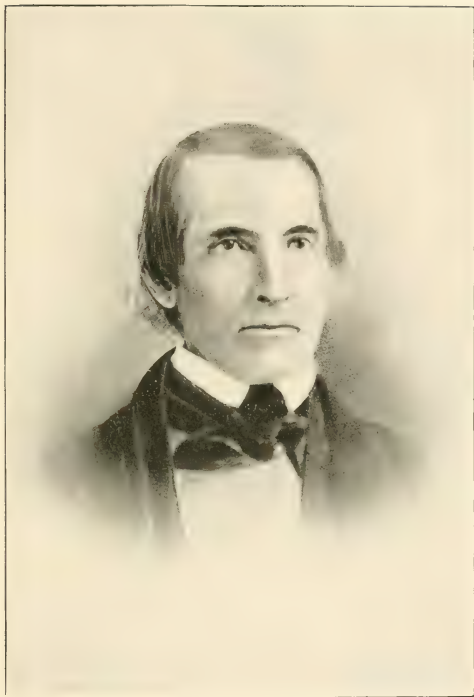
Some time after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Gavin settled on a farm in Johnson county, Ind., later removing to Southport, which place was their home for seventeen years, and there Mr. Gavin died in May, 1890. Mr. Gavin was always a farmer by occupation, and was unusually successful. He was likewise a most worthy citizen, and had the respect of the entire community in which he lived. Mr. and Mrs. Gavin became the parents of eleven children, nine of whom still survive, viz: Kate, William, Martin, Mary, Theresa, John, Frank, Laura and Ernest. The two that died were

a son and daughter, the latter, Agnes, dying at the age of twenty years, and the former, John, when about nine years old. Mrs. Gavin and her family are highly esteemed members of St. Patrick's church, and are respected as members of general society.

**JUDGE JOHN MOORE**, deceased.—No attempt to compile the annals of Vincennes, Ind., whether in a work of this character or in a general history, would be complete without a biographical sketch of the man whose name heads these paragraphs—a man to whose efforts, in its day of small things, the city of Vincennes is everlastingly indebted. More than a hundred years ago this energetic man settled in Vincennes and became thoroughly and personally identified with every proper move in the early settlement and after-development of the city. He was prominent in public affairs, his active zeal and untiring energy making him an invaluable factor in the life of the rising commonwealth. Equally zealous in the affairs of the church, his became a name to be inseparably connected with the history of the early church in Vincennes and vicinity, and his house became widely known as a home of priests and bishops. His liberality both of heart and hand found eager employment in spiritual as well as public concerns, and the church which he loved so well is bound to his memory by many ties of remembrance based on tangible and lasting evidences. In return for all that which he did for the weal of the community no man ever enjoyed a higher degree of the public confidence and esteem than did Judge Moore, in whose long and active life were exemplified so many saving traits of the gentleman, scholar, benefactor, Christian.

John Moore was born in Pocahontas county, Va., in the year 1790. He received a thorough education and was especially fitted for the law. His naturally logical mind was strengthened by its legal training, and became noted for its comprehensive scope and ready grasp of affairs jurisprudential. In 1796 he came to Vincennes and immediately entered upon the affairs of the then rising settlement. His talents were of a character to at once command





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the recognition of his fellows, and he was speedily advanced to positions of honor and trust. Upon the incorporation of Vincennes and its adoption of a city charter, the public eye at once turned to Judge Moore as to the proper administrative head of affairs and he was elected the first mayor of the city. Previously to that he had been conservator of the public peace in the capacity of town marshal. In the field of jurisprudence he was also early sought out, and for fourteen years he held the important position of judge of the probate court. In affairs political he was ever active, and under the Buchanan administration he received the appointment of postmaster of Vincennes as a mark of recognition of party service. In his domestic life Judge Moore was noted for his kindly affectionate manner, and in his general and personal relations to the public his affability of manner and benevolence of spirit made him a universal favorite in the community. Mention has been made of his regard for the beloved mother church. This was the church of his adoption, he having been born and reared a Protestant. He was converted to the Roman Catholic faith by the good Bishop Bruté, and no child of the church was ever a more devoted follower or earnest supporter. Judge Moore died in Vincennes December 23, 1864, but memory of the man dieth not.

Judge Moore was thrice married. His first wife was Miss Annie Scott, a native of Knox county, a Presbyterian and representative of a very early family. There is no living issue of this union. His second wife was Mrs. Elizabeth Carr, née Whalen, a near relative of Bishop Whalen. She bore Judge Moore one child, a daughter who died in infancy. By her marriage with Mr. Carr she had one son, who served through the Mexican war, and after his mother's death, January 8, 1846, returned home and died at the home of Judge Moore.

The Judge's third wife (and relict) was Miss Mary Ann Caldwell, a native of Montreal, Canada. Her father was a soldier of the Revolutionary war, and by reason of his service Mrs. Moore drew a government land warrant. She was the mother of six children, viz: Joseph died in infancy; Francis Xavier, March 23, 1848, baptized and christened by Bishop de St. Palais in honor of the patron

saint of the beloved cathedral of that name. He received a thorough education, graduating from McGill college, Montreal, with the degree bachelor of arts, and from the Philadelphia Polytechnic institute with the degree bachelor of surveying. In his profession of civil engineer he went to the city of Mexico, where he contracted a disease of the throat which resulted there in his death, May 17, 1880. Ellen is the wife of Edward Smith, a hardware merchant of Vermont. Harriet Ann died in childhood. Margaret Callwell is the wife of W. W. Chadwick, superintendent of the water works at Chester, Pa., and John Stephen died in infancy.

Mrs. Moore is living in a green and gentle old age in the historic Old Moore homestead, which has been established nearly, if not altogether, a century. Into those ancient parlors she was ushered a little fifty years ago, and she there awaits patiently the final summons and blessed release. Though reared a Protestant, Mrs. Moore was converted to the beloved Mother church after the death of her first child, and will be as she has lived in the fullness and expectancy of its faith.

MATTHEW J. GAYNOR, assistant engineer for the Indianapolis Light & Power company, is a native of Sharon, Ohio, was born February 27, 1855, and was educated in Monroe and Middle-town, in the Buckeye state, in which towns his parents successively changed their residence while he was still young.

Barth J. Gaynor and Margaret (Reilly) Gaynor were natives of county Cavan, Ireland, and were young people when they came to this country. They were married in Reading, Ohio, July 12, 1855, and their union was blessed with six children, of whom Matthew J. is the eldest—the others being Ella, wife of Philip Amstead, a German Catholic, residing at Earle Park, Benton county, Ind.; John died May 22, 1888, unmarried; Michael, a tobacco-merchant, resides in Kentland, Newton county, Ind.; Hugh F. is a merchant of the same town, and James, who was born April 9, 1890, died July 1, 1898. The father of this family is still a resident of Middletown, Ohio, where he is engaged in farming.

Matthew J. Gaynor came to Indianapolis in 1877, and for twelve years was here employed by a paper company, and March 17, 1889, was appointed to his present position, which he has filled on a most satisfactory manner, as his long tenancy of it plainly shows.

Mr. Gaynor was united in marriage September 2, 1881, by Rev. Father Carran at St. Rodgers's Church, to Miss ELLA MILLER, a native of Union City, Ind., born July 27, 1864, and a daughter of Jacob Miller, formerly a well-known dealer in goods of quality. Her father, a sincere Catholic, died in Indianapolis, September 24, 1897, and his widow, equally as good a Catholic, lives in retirement at No. 675 Vermont street, a highly honored lady.

Mr. Gaynor for two years has been president of Assunta No. 2, Ancient Order of Hibernians, and has been treasurer of Immigrant community. He has of Father Markham for the past seven years, and is a director in the Indianapolis Light & Power Mutual Aid association. For two years Mr. Gaynor was a member of St. Patrick's parish, but for the past thirteen years has been a resident of St. John's parish, in which his nationality and ability abound. He is a free contributor to the support of St. John's church, and he and wife have a very pleasant home at No. 127 Capital avenue, where they enjoy the society of a wide circle of sincere friends.

**JACOB GEHRICH**, a prominent Catholic citizen of Indianapolis, Ind., living at No. 1014 Hanna street, has been a resident of this city since 1876. He was born in Hamilton county, Ohio, in December, 1827, and his father, Isadore Gehrich, was born in Bavaria, Germany, in 1784. The latter came to the United States with his parents when he was fourteen years of age, they settling in Cincinnati, and there he was married, in 1843, to Miss Margaret Craft, who, like himself, was a native of Germany.

In 1853 Isadore Gehrich removed with his family to Dubuque county, Iowa, returning a year later to Cincinnati. In 1863 he removed to St. Ann's, Jennings county, Ind., and in the fall of 1875 he and his family came to Indianapolis, where Mrs. Gehrich

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died September 12, 1884. Isadore Gehrlich still lives in Indianapolis. He and his wife were the parents of nine children, of whom three sons and three daughters are still living and are residents of Indianapolis with the exception of the eldest, Joseph, who resides at Wapakoneta, Ohio. Jacob, the second of the family, and Charles, the youngest son, both are doing well. Catherine and Mary are twins, and Sophia is the youngest of the daughters.

Jacob Gehrlich, the subject of this sketch, lived at home until he was married, April 9, 1872, to Miss Frances Homburgher. Her father, who was born in Germany, grew to manhood in his native country, and there married Apollonia Trunz. In 1849 he came to the United States, settling on a farm near St. Ann's, Ind., where, four years later, the father died. His widow afterward married George Meyer, a prominent and highly-esteemed citizen of St. Ann's. He died January 7, 1874, but his widow is now living on the old homestead farm, on which Mr. Homburgher settled on first coming to the United States. The father of Mrs. Gehrlich was twice married, as was her mother. George Meyer, the only son of Mr. Meyer, and a half brother of Mrs. Gehrlich, lives on the old farm with the mother. Mrs. Gehrlich has two full brothers, viz: Urban and Henry Homburgher. Her sister, Dorothy Meyer, became Sister Theodosia and died in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Gehrlich have five children, viz: Mary, Catherine, George, Charles and Albert. They had another son, Francis, who died at the age of sixteen years. Mr. Gehrlich is recognized by all as an industrious, honest and worthy citizen, has the confidence of all, and is highly esteemed. He and his family attend St. Patrick's church, are faithful and consistent Catholics, and contribute liberally to the support of their church.

FRANK J. GEORGE, county superintendent of schools, Perry county, Ind., was born in Hachy, Belgium, April 28, 1852. He attended school in his native place until the age of twelve years, when, with his parents, he came to the United States, settling near

Leopold, Ind., where he was reared to manhood on his father's farm, and later learned the trade of stonecutting, studying industriously the meanwhile. In 1872 he went to Spencer county and worked at his trade on St. Meinrad's college, the construction of which was begun that year, and studied under one of the professors during his spare time, noon and night. In 1874 he went to St. Joseph, Wyandot county, Ohio, where he obtained a position as teacher in a Catholic school. He remained there six months and then returned to Perry county, where he resumed his studies and also continued to work at his trade. In 1876 he received his first license to teach, his percentage, in examination, showing a high average. The first school taught by Mr. George in Indiana was near Leopold, his former home.

In 1877, work having again commenced on the building of St. Meinrad's college and monastery in Spencer county, Mr. George went to work there at his trade of stonecutting, and still assiduously pursued his studies, as in the four years preceding this. He subsequently attended the Central Normal college in Danville, Ind., and graduated in the teacher's course with honors. Mr. George came to Tell City in 1884, and at once began to teach school, later he was appointed to the position of assistant superintendent of city schools, which place he resigned for that of county superintendent, to which office he was elected as a democrat in 1891, and is now serving his third term.

At the age of twenty Mr. George was married to Miss Elizabeth Genet, the union being blessed with a family of seven children, five of whom are living, viz: Ellen, Alvin, Oliver, Theodore and Frank. Prof. George speaks and writes, fluently, the French, German and English languages, and Perry county has never had a more efficient superintendent of schools.

**T**HOMAS A. GERAGHTY, city editor of the Jacksonian, a daily and weekly journal of Rushville, Ind., and also special correspondent for several metropolitan newspapers, was born near Binghamstown, county Mayo, Ireland, October 15, 1871.

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Patrick Geraghty, father of subject, was one of five brothers and two sisters, sons and daughters of James Geraghty. Patrick Geraghty was born in county Mayo, in 1847, and reached the United States in April, 1880; he has ever since been a resident of Rushville, and to his marriage with Bridget Haley, daughter of Thomas Haley, have been born, beside the subject, Hon. James M., who graduated from the Spokane Wash. law school, was a clerk in a legal department of the city of Spokane, a member of the Washington state legislature, and is now private secretary to United States Senator Turner, of that state. Three other children are named Bridget, Patrick and Mary.

Thomas A. Geraghty, who was about eight years of age when brought to the United States by his parents, received a good parochial school education in Rushville, and then began an apprenticeship at printing in the office of the Republican, at the age of nineteen years, and afterward entered the newspaper field as a reporter on the Graphic, under Capt. Jack Gowdy, the proprietor. In 1895 he entered the employ of the Jacksonian. He is also second vice-president of the Young Men's institute, and is altogether an energetic young business man and a popular journalist. He was most happily married October 28, 1896, to Miss Nellie Ryan, of Lebanon, Ind.

LAWRENCE J. GERAGHTY, the well-known blacksmith of Rushville, Ind., is a native of Ireland, and was born November 15, 1842, in Tarmascarsa, near Belmullet, a small village in county Mayo.

Anthony Geraghty, grandfather of Lawrence J., was born in the north of Ireland, but went to county Mayo when young, and there married Mary Geraghty. James Geraghty, son of Anthony and father of Lawrence J., was born in county Mayo in 1826, was a contractor for canals, light house, etc., married Bridget Lynch, daughter of Patrick and Bridget (Davitt) Lynch, and to this marriage were born Anthony (deceased), James, Lawrence J., Patrick, Thomas, Bridget and Annie, all of whom came to the United States and settled in Rushville, Ind. The parents, how-



ever, died in Ireland, and both were devout Catholics, as were their parents before them—the mother dying in 1852 and the father in 1879.

Lawrence J. Geraghty came to the United States in 1863, and was in the employ of the government at Lexington, Ky., until the close of the Civil war. He then learned blacksmithing, and September 21, 1865, came to Rushville. He here married, April 17, 1871, Miss Mary Scanlan, who was born in Butler county, Ohio, October 5, 1854, a daughter of James and Ann (Keenan) Scanlan, who were both born in county Sligo, Ireland, but were married in Cincinnati, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Scanlan, in 1861, came to Rushville, Ind., and here the father died November 25, 1883; the mother still lives in Rushville and is a devout member of the Catholic church, as was her husband. They were the parents of two children, Mary and John F. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Geraghty has been blessed with nine children, born in the following order: James J., Thomas F., Mary, John A., Annie, Lawrence E., Irene, George and Esther. Of these, James J. is a charter member and recording secretary of the Young Men's institute, and Thomas F. is a charter member and secretary, while Mr. Geraghty is himself a charter member of the Catholic Benevolent legion, in the work of which he takes a prominent and active part. Mr. Geraghty owns one of the finest dwellings in Rushville and he and family stand very high in both social and church circles.

REV. JOHN P. GILLIG, pastor of the church of the Immaculate Conception, at Millhousen, Decatur county, was born in the diocese of Treves, Rhine-Prussia, in March, 1832, was educated in the colleges of Treves and Paderborn in the classics.

In 1854 he came to the United States, was ordained priest at Vincennes, Ind., December 8, 1859, and was at once assigned to the pastorate of St. Mary of the Rocks, Franklin county. In June, 1863, he was transferred to St. Vincent's, at Prescott, Shelby county, where he organized a mission at Shelbyville, and also a mission at Acton, in Marion county. In 1864, he made

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Shelbyville his headquarters, officiated in the church at that place, as well as at Greensburg, and at other missions, and next was located at Greensburg, where he remained until 1871, when he was transferred to St. Magdalen's, in Ripley county, and in 1877, to St. John's, in Clark county, where he did good and faithful service until 1891, when he came to Millhousen, where his labors have been blessed with a fructification in which any pastor might well rejoice.

Among the earlier good work done by Rev. Gilling may be mentioned the building of the present church of St. Mary of the Rocks, the first church at Acton, the first at Martinsville, and the commencement of a church structure at Navilleton, in Floyd county. He is still in the field, and is as energetic and zealous as in the days of yore.

**CAPT. JOHN MOLONEY**, of Indianapolis, is a native of Charleville, county Cork, Ireland, was born in August, 1828, and remained in his native country until reaching manhood, then resided in London several years, served a term of eighteen months in the British army in England, and came to America in 1849, joining his mother and sister in Baltimore, Md. He resided there for some time and traveled through the south. On a return trip to his maternal home, then in Cincinnati, he secured satisfactory employment and remained there. He married, in Cincinnati, July 11, 1852, the lady of his choice being Miss Hannah Rafferty—a native of Belfast, Ireland. To this union six children were born, named as follows: David, Ellen, John and James, all deceased; Mary, wife of Michael Cain, a resident of Indianapolis; the sixth child was Anna, and is also deceased. Mr. Moloney came to Indianapolis in 1852, and here has since been employed in various kinds of business.

Capt. Moloney was mustered into the United States service in 1861, with the rank of second lieutenant of company A, Thirty-fifth Indiana infantry; served with this regiment until the surrender of Lee's army, covering a period of over four years, and a full record of his military career will be found at the close of this memoir. Later he operated two shoe stores on Washington street,



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for a number of years, and was also engaged in manufacturing shoes, in which a full complement of men was employed; also dealt largely in real estate, buying and selling Indianapolis property. As the years advanced he disposed of these varied interests, and lately he has been engaged in city work, and now has charge of the city yards, under the jurisdiction of the board of public works, and for this position he is peculiarly well fitted, as few men have a larger acquaintance in Indianapolis, his forty-five years' residence having made him familiar with every detail of growth and development.

In 1892 his wife, with whom he had lived over forty years, was taken sick and died, and was buried from St. Bridget's church by Rev. Father Curran, assisted by Father Cooney—his old army chaplain. The captain was married to his present companion October 11, 1894. She bore the maiden name of Fannie Felix, and at the time was a member of St. John's church choir, receiving a good salary. She is a native of Cincinnati, born of German Catholic parentage. Her excellent voice was recognized in early life, was carefully trained in the Cincinnati Musical college, and later she sang in St. Joseph's Catholic church in Cincinnati for twelve years.

Capt. Moloney has been a prominent member of the G. A. R. for many years, and has always taken an active interest in the affairs of his late comrades in arms. He was an ardent worker to secure the appropriation for the erection of the soldiers' monument which ornaments the circle in the beautiful Capital city. To himself, Col. Robinson and Gen. Manson is the chief credit due for securing this worthy recognition of the soldiers of the state. The captain is active in political work, and influential in the councils of the democracy, and he has been a member of the Hendricks club for several years. The family are members of Sts. Peter and Paul's church, Father Chartrand being the pastor in fact, although the bishop is the nominal pastor.

Among the early responsible military positions committed to the charge of Lieut. Moloney, there are some worthy of detailed notice. During the time the Thirty-fifth Indiana was guarding the Green River bridge at Munfordville, Ky., in the early part of 1862, word was received by officers in command that serious depreda-

tions were being committed by desperadoes headed by one Wheeler, and it was determined, if possible, to capture him and his followers. Lieut. John Moloney was selected to take charge of this force, which was composed of men selected from his own company and company E. A competent scout or guide was assigned to lead the way, and a search was at once commenced for the apprehension of the offenders. Lieut. Moloney having instructions which led him to exercise his own discretion, he determined to succeed at all hazards. Coming into the locality of the supposed hiding place, he first visited Wheeler's home, but finding that he was not there, and learning with some definiteness that he was at the home of his father-in-law, some twenty-five miles distant, he decided to mount his men. He told his guide to point out the houses owned by rebel sympathizers, and from their barns he selected horses until his force was well mounted. He also pressed some loiterers into service, and took them along.

The little band then made a rapid march to the vicinity of Bowling Green, Ky. At about one o'clock in the morning they arrived in sight of the house which, it was supposed, sheltered Wheeler. The men were quietly dismounted and deployed to surround the house. Lieut. Moloney, in company with the scout and two of his men, with arms ready for prompt action, followed a colored woman from the kitchen into the dining room, and there, at that unseasonable hour, sat Wheeler and his friends about to partake of a midnight dinner. Lieut. Moloney ordered them to remain seated, stating that resistance would be futile as the house was surrounded. The whole party were made prisoners—the father-in-law remarking to Wheeler, "I told you so; I knew they would be after you." The little band of heroes were royally entertained by the hospitable secessionist, and did not leave the premises until after daylight, and at the request of the host—an unusual thing for soldiers to wait to be asked under such circumstances—they partook of the supper spread upon the tables and greatly enjoyed it after their active exercise. Lieut. Moloney was careful that the same courteous treatment was extended the generous entertainers. On their return march, Wheeler was allowed to visit his own home for such clothing as he desired, and to bid his wife and chil-

dren good-bye, the parting being touchingly affecting. Lient. Moloney had busied himself, gathering such incidents as he could, and was impressed with the belief that Wheeler was innocent of the charges imputed to him; that what he had done was really in accord with the laws of civilized warfare, and did not hesitate to impart his belief to the distracted wife and children. On their return, Wheeler was permitted to take along as many of his friends and neighbors as he desired to testify to his character, so that when the force reached camp it had been swelled to quite an imposing army, and was received with shouts of welcome and "Three cheers for Moloney's cavalry." The horses taken in this emergency were returned to their rightful owners, and it is but due to Wheeler to say that he was vindicated and released. Later on in the service, Lieut. Moloney again received courteous treatment at the hands of Wheeler and his father-in-law.

When the Thirty-fifth Irish regiment was recruited, our subject was commissioned captain of company A, and commanded the same until the close of the war. This regiment was assigned to the army of the Cumberland and participated in all the memorable engagements of the grand army of the West.

At the battles of Chickamuaga and Lookout Mountain, Capt. Moloney was especially noticed in the official reports and general orders of the commanding general for meritorious services and conspicuous gallantry in action. On the night of the 20th of June, 1864, during a bayonet charge upon the enemy's works, Capt. Moloney, while gallantly leading his company, was captured on the very ramparts of the rebel works and forcibly drawn over the breastworks by the rebel soldiers. He was taken to Marietta, Ga., thence to Atlanta, and finally to Macon, where commissioned officers were imprisoned. A scheme was concocted among the prisoners to wreck and burn the train en route, and Capt. Moloney was to command a detachment of the prisoners. But this miscarried through want of concert of action. Our hero, however, jumped from the moving train on a trestle work, and though a volley was fired at him by the guards, he escaped unhurt. For six days following this he had neither food nor rest, but was finally relieved by some negroes, who gave him melons and other food,

and rendered him assistance in building a raft, upon which he hoped to float on the Cumberland river until picked up by the Union gun-boats. But the material at hand was very scarce and the float was not sufficiently buoyant to keep him above water. The ignorant negroes had told him that the Yankee gunboats were just beyond an island in the river, the channel being on the further side. He managed to reach the island, which was overgrown with impenetrable grass, brakes and weeds. After superhuman efforts he managed to get through the morass until he obtained a fair view of his surroundings, having been nearly suffocated in a quicksand bayou. Being disappointed in finding the gunboats, he decided to continue his aquatic operations, but could not resume his course without rest. He found an old barn door, upon which he tried to sleep, but was savagely attacked by wild hogs during the night. In the morning he returned to his old raft and floated down the stream. On the second day he encountered a rebel picket post of the Second South Carolina cavalry. His raft drew so much water that he was able to keep only his head and shoulders above the surface. As the picket hailed him, he was nearing a trestle work or piling, in a swift and strong current, but before he could land his raft was knocked to pieces against the piling, which he was unable to climb, and there was no boat wherewith to rescue him. His clothing was all torn from his body in the hard contact with the poles, rails, pieces of boards and the piles, so that he presented a pitiable sight as he clung for life to a piling-post, of which there were three rows in the river to prevent Union gunboats from ascending. For two long hours he clung to these life-saving posts, and was finally rescued by his enemies, but they treated him kindly and one of them gave him a rebel uniform which had belonged to the donor's dead brother. He was detained two or three days to gain strength, as he was nearly exhausted, and then sent to Charleston, when he was delivered to the rebel provost marshal. On the second day in Charleston he was taken with the swamp fever and sent to a hospital, where he lay at death's door for many days. Here the Sisters of Charity, to whom he is undoubtedly indebted for his life, took him in charge. They were unremitting in their attentions to all, uniforms counted for nothing—Protestant and



Catholic alike shared their devotion to humanity for humanity's sake. With their own ambulance they gathered food and delicacies for the sick of all nations, and distributed them where needed, sacrificing their own interest and living on the plainest fare, because the sick needed the delicacies. And it is true that these self-sacrificing angels of mercy could secure contributions even where the strong arm of the law failed to reach them. God bless the Sisters of Charity.

After recovering, Capt. Moloney was taken to Macon, but he was never reconciled, and determined to make his escape at whatever cost. Finally, an exchange of 160 out of 200 officers in the prison was arranged, but Capt. Moloney was one of the forty who were not exchanged. When they were calling out the names of the exchanged officers, at the risk of life he stepped across the dead line and took a place in the ranks. Fortunately the movement was unobserved. Subsequently, during roll calls, he had some other comrade to answer "in unison", and he thus escaped detection until they were well away from the prison. He then gave them leg bail again, this time successfully. Old Glory never looked so beautiful, the stars were never so bright nor the stripes so broad, as when he first beheld it on this occasion. The union pickets, seeing his gray uniform, supposed him to be a rebel deserter, and hailed him with "Hello, Johnny, are you coming in to give yourself up?" He replied, "Yes; I am sick and tired of these fellows and don't want to stay with them any longer," which was no doubt as true a saying as he ever uttered. He was about to be taken to headquarters as a rebel deserter, when he explained his position and miraculous escapes. He was taken to Atlanta, where he rejoined his regiment, and was not recognized, owing to his rebel garb and emaciated condition. He had been reported killed in the action when captured, and great was the rejoicing of his comrades and fellow-officers when he appeared among them in the flesh. He assumed command of his company, still wearing the rebel uniform, as he had no other, and could not then obtain one. He remained with the army until after the defeat of Hood at Nashville, when he was granted a thirty days' leave of absence. On this visit he returned to Indianapolis, still wearing the garb of

a rebel soldier, and excited some comment here, as old settlers can testify. Rejoining his regiment in the fall of 1864, he remained at the front until the last armed foe of the Union had laid down his arms, when he returned to the peaceful pursuits of life. This is another evidence of the truthfulness of the statement that the imperishable American Union has been cemented—not by the blood in this case, but by the devotion of many a true Roman Catholic.

JOHN W. GERDINK, dealer in real-estate, and an insurance agent, and one of the enterprising young men of Terre Haute, of which city he is a native, was born June 11, 1867, son of John Gerdink, who became a citizen of Terre Haute as early as the year 1848. The father was born in Holland and came to the United States in the above year, and later was united in marriage with Miss Mary Burke, a native of county Tipperary, Ireland, whose family became residents of Indiana about the year 1862. For many years the elder Gerdink was identified with the commercial interests of Terre Haute, where he resided until 1879, at which time the family removed to Gerdink Station, Sullivan county, returning thence after a temporary residence, to Terre Haute, where John Gerdink departed this life in the year 1892. He was a devoted Catholic, and ever proved loyal to the mother church, being a member of St. Patrick's parish at the time of his death.

John W. Gerdink spent the first twelve years of his life in Terre Haute and received his early educational training in the parochial schools of the city, subsequently attending three terms at Union Christian college, at Merom, Sullivan county, where he obtained a knowledge of the higher branches of learning. In 1888 he completed the prescribed course in the Terre Haute Commercial college, and immediately thereafter engaged in the insurance business as manager of a local agency, in which capacity he continued until 1894, when he purchased the agency which he has since successfully conducted. Mr. Gerdink represents many of the leading insurance companies of the United States and Europe, among which are the Phoenix, of London, Caledonia, Concordia, Detroit Fire &

Marine, Grand Rapids, and the Fidelity and Casualty; he is also secretary of the Phoenix Building & Loan association, and local secretary of the World Building & Loan, of Indianapolis, beside doing an extensive and lucrative business in real estate.

In 1893 occurred the marriage of Mr. Gerdink and Miss Mamie O'Donell, of Terre Haute, the ceremony being solemnized in St. Joseph Catholic church; to this union one child has been born, a son, Herbert Gerdink. Mr. Gerdink is a member of division No. 1, A. O. H., and at this time he is president of Good Will council, Young Men's institute; he is also an active member of branch No. 630, Catholic Knights of America, and politically wields an influence for the democratic party, with which he has been identified ever since attaining his majority. In the business circles of Terre Haute Mr. Gerdink is well and favorably known, and in all matters pertaining to the best interests of his church he is prominent, as is also his estimable wife, whose good works have endeared her to a large number of friends, irrespective of religious affiliation.

EDWARD GILMARTIN, of Fort Wayne, an extensive dealer in lumber, is a native of Queens county, Ireland, was born January 13, 1840, and is one of the three children born to Michael and Catherine (Whalen) Gilmartin. He came to America in 1860, landing in New York city on July 4, of that year, and thence directly to Columbus, Ohio, and engaged with the Western Union Telegraph company at that place. In the winter of 1861 and 1862 he was sent south to build military telegraph lines after the army of the Potomac, and was engaged in that work for about two years. Returning to Columbus, Ohio, the Western Union Telegraph company assigned him to work for the Pennsylvania Railway company on the east end. In 1864 the company sent him to Fort Wayne, and he was given charge of the western division of the Pennsylvania line until 1870, and then transferred to the G. R. & I. He built all the telegraph lines of that railroad, in all six or seven hundred miles. He was engaged with the G. R. & I. until November, 1889, when he resigned to attend to private

business. He had previous to that time been dealing in telegraph poles and lumber, and his business having greatly increased, his resignation was necessary. In 1869 he engaged in the retail lumber business, and this has been very prosperous.

In 1862, while laying a cable from Cape Charles to Fortress Monroe, he was shipwrecked, losing all his personal effects. He was married in May, 1867, to Katherine Lynch, who was born in Dublin, Ireland, and came to America with her parents when a child. To their union eleven children have been born, nine of whom are living: Kate, now the wife of W. B. McDonald, superintendent of the electric light works at Chicago; Michael J., William H., Mary A., Edward T., Nellie, John F., Loretta and Alice. The family in Fort Wayne are members of St. Patrick's congregation, and Mr. Gilmartin is a member of the Catholic Knights of America, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the St. Vincent de Paul society, and of the Blessed Virgin of St. Patrick's. Mr. Gilmartin is one of the most enterprising business men of Fort Wayne, and has gained his present prominent position entirely through his personal exertions and excellent management.

**WILLIAM F. MOORE**, of the real estate and insurance firm of Moore & Horan, Indianapolis, is a native of the state of Ohio, born in the city of Columbus, on March 24, 1863. His parents, Patrick and Hannah (Mahoney) Moore, both natives of county Kerry, Ireland, were married in Lowell, Mass., and had born to them a family of ten children, nine sons and one daughter, viz: John died in his boyhood; Jeremiah also died in early youth; Michael, foreign agent of the Indianapolis Sentinel, resides in the Capital city; Thomas, engaged in the wire business in Cleveland, Ohio; William F., whose name introduces this sketch; James died in Anderson, Ind., in 1894, was also engaged in the wire trade; Stephen died when young; Patrick, dealer in wire at Cleveland; Lawrence is similarly engaged in the same city; and Mary is the name of the daughter. Of the sons, Michael and William F. are the only members of the family living who are married. For a



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number of years the father was superintendent of the wire mill department in the Ohio penitentiary at Columbus, and later occupied a similar position in the city of Cleveland, where his death occurred in 1886, at the age of fifty-six; the mother is still living in that city.

When William F. Moore was a babe, his parents moved to Indianapolis, Ind., where the family remained about five years and then went to Cleveland, Ohio, in the parochial schools of which city the subject received his elementary education. Subsequently, he became a student of St. Bonaventure college, Allegheny, Pa., where he pursued his studies for some time and then entered the Jesuit college at Hyde Park. Returning from college in 1886, he accepted a position with the Indianapolis Sentinel, representing the interests of that paper on the road for a period of about seven years.

Severing his connection with the Sentinel, Mr. Moore next engaged in the cigar and tobacco business in Indianapolis, which continued eighteen months, and then effected a copartnership with J. C. Dalton in the hat trade, conducting a store on Washington street about one year. In February, 1896, Mr. Moore abandoned mercantile pursuits and engaged in the real estate and insurance business in partnership with Mr. Horan, which firm still continues.

On the twenty-first of June, 1887, Mr. Moore entered into the marriage relation with Miss Catherine Dalton, the ceremony being solemnized in St. Patrick's church by the pastor, Very Rev. D. O'Donaghue. Two sons and three daughters gladden the home of Mr. and Mrs. Moore, viz: Vitalis, Ignatius, Helen, Joseph and Marie. The family belong to St. Patrick's parish and Mr. Moore at this time is president of the Young Men's institute, also lecturer and organizer for Indiana and Michigan. Politically he is a democrat, and as such is active in the councils of his party in Indianapolis. He is a gentleman of culture and refinement, an earnest churchman, and belongs to the progressive young element of the Capital city.

At the democratic county convention held at Indianapolis, after a twenty-four hours' session, ending April 1, 1898, as a nominee for commissioner of the Second district, W. F. Moore "ran

like a Derby winner." His strongest opponent was Thomas Bemis, who received 84 votes. Moore received 384, B. Frank Schmid, 58; B. F. Jones, 35; John R. Cox, 45; Julius F. Reinecke, 63; F. P. Johnson, 24, and E. A. Bernauer, 5. The enthusiasm for Moore was great, and when the band played "There'll be a hot time to-night," the delegates cheered lustily. Mr. Moore responded in an eloquent and acceptable speech.

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REV. G. M. GINNSZ, pastor of the Sacred Heart church, at Schnellville, Dubois county, Ind., was born in the diocese of Strasburg, Germany, city of Molsheim, province of Alsace-Lorraine, February 26, 1840. His primary education was acquired in the parochial school, and at the age of thirteen years he entered the seminary of Strasburg, where he finished his philosophical studies.

In 1859 he came to America by the advice of Rt. Rev. Msgr. de St. Palais, Bishop of Vincennes, and entered the seminary at Vincennes as a student of theology. December 20, 1862, he was ordained priest by the same venerable bishop, at Vincennes, and was at once appointed assistant to Father Chassé of St. Simon's church, at Washington, Daviess county, where he remained from January, 1863, until August of the same year. He was then appointed pastor of the Church of the Assumption at Floyd Knobs, Floyd county, where he performed a great deal of good and fruitful work for ten years, both for his parish and in the mission field, and after his arduous labors, in June, 1873, secured a vacation and visited his aged mother at Molsheim, returning in October of the same year. He was then appointed to St. Mary's, in Daviess county, remained until August, 1875, and was then called to Vincennes to assume the chaplaincy of St. Vincent's Orphan asylum, at Highland, near by, and was also assigned to a mission at St. Thomas, in Knox county, where he erected a church, in 1879, at a cost of \$2,500. This mission is now a duly constituted parish, with its resident pastor.

From the asylum at Highland, Father Ginnsz was called to



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the pastorate of St. Patrick's parish, in Daviess county, where he remained from January, 1881, until September, 1885, and whilst there laid the foundation of the Glencoe Mortuary chapel. From St. Patrick's he was transferred to the pastorate of St. John's, at Loogootee, where he erected the parochial school-building and remained until January, 1890, when he was placed in charge of the Church of the Nativity B. V. M., at North Vernon, Jennings county, also attending Scipio, and officiated until January, 1892, then became pastor of St. Vincent's church, Prescott, Shelby county, where he resided until July, 1896, when he was placed in his present charge at Schnellville. It will thus be seen that Father Ginnasz has been in the constant service of the church for thirty-six years, and no priest has been more ardent, active and devoted than he during this long period; no one has more deservedly earned the high esteem in which he is held both by Catholics and Protestants throughout the southern diocese of Indiana.

REV. ROBERT GLASSMEIER, O. S. B., assistant pastor of St. Joseph church, at Jasper, Dubois county, Ind., is a son of Frederick Henry and Catherine (Kleyer) Glassmeier, both natives of Hanover, Germany, and now deceased. Our subject was born at Clifton, near Cincinnati, Ohio, October 8, 1860. He completed his studies at St. Meinrad college, and was ordained at the same place, the 31st of May, 1890, by Bishop Chatard, and celebrated his first mass on the 9th of June, 1890.

PATRICK GOLDEN, a respected resident of Richmond, Ind., was born in county Mayo, Ireland, in 1824, a son of Stephen and Mary (Highland) Golden, was educated in his native parish, and until 1852 worked on a farm for his father. He then came to the United States, landing in the city of New York in the year mentioned, whence he came direct to Wayne county, Ind., where for ten years he worked on a farm near Richmond; he then moved

to the city and for fifteen years worked for the gas company, and for the following fourteen years in the paper-mill, performing his duties faithfully in each position, as his long tenure of employment fully shows. He has now retired and is one of St. Mary's most highly respected and wealthy members.

February 3, 1863, he was united in marriage, at Richmond, by Rev. Father A. J. Menz, with Miss Bridget Flynn, and this union has been blessed with five children, who were born in the following order: Mary, Katherine and Anna, all still at home, and the latter acting as clerk in the Richmond post-office; John, a machinist, working at his trade in St. Charles, Mo., and James, deceased. The family are members of St. Mary's congregation, are devout and faithful to their religious duties, contribute freely of their means to the support of the church, and enjoy the respect of their many acquaintances in Richmond, the father and mother being especially held in high regard as heads of so worthy a family.

PROF. JOHN E. GOELZ, superintendent of the boys' department at St. Mary's school, and organist for the church, Madison, Ind., was born in Columbia, Monroe county, Ill., December 4, 1869, a son of John Adam and Anna (Goeller) Goelz, natives, respectively, of Hesse Darmstadt and Bavaria, Germany. He is a member of a family of educators, as his grandfather, father, uncles and brother were all teachers.

John Adam Goelz came to the United States on the 10th of November, 1853, and there also came two brothers, John and Peter, and two sisters, Barbara and Catherine. John now resides in East St. Louis, Ill.; Peter died in that city, and left a son—Christopher—who is a priest at Cobden, Ill., and Barbara died in Waterloo, Ill.; Catherine died in East St. Louis; John Adam and his brother, John, are therefore the only survivors of this family. John Adam's first school was in Monroe county, Ill.; he next taught at Columbia, Ill., Waterloo, Ill., and in 1868 in New Alsace, Ind., and is now sexton of the church at Waterloo. He was married, by Rev. Ferdinand Hundt, in 1868, to Miss Anna

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Goeller, who came from Germany, in 1852, with her parents, Sebastian and Catherine Goeller, who had five children—John, Anna, Andrew, Mary and Dorothea. The father was a cooper by trade and located with his family at Cincinnati, Ohio, and afterwards at Waterloo, Ill. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Goelz was blessed with two children—John E. and Peter Paul—the latter being a teacher in a parochial school at Bartelso, Ill.

Prof. John E. Goelz was educated in the Catholic Normal school at St. Francis, Wis., which he attended three years, graduating in 1889, in which year he was appointed to his present position in Madison, Ind. He was first married, in 1892, to Miss Mary M. Mayer, who was called away September 6, 1894. His second marriage was to Miss Rose M. Auger, a native of Madison and a daughter of Charles Auger, Sr., the ceremony being solemnized February 9, 1897, by Rev. J. B. H. Seepe. Mr. Goelz has been very successful as an instructor, not only of the boys in St. Mary's parochial school, but as a teacher of vocal music to the members of the choir of which he is the organist. He is genial, gentlemanly, and accomplished, and has made many friends within and without the pale of his church, and he and his wife are highly esteemed on account of their many personal merits.

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PATRICK GOLDEN, a representative business man of Princeton, Ind., was born in county Armagh, Ireland, in March, 1846, the youngest of seven children—five sons and two daughters—constituting the family of William and Sarah (Hughes) Golden, and of this family three, beside Patrick, are still living, viz: Thomas, the eldest, who is a merchant of Belfast, Ireland; James, a man of wealth and influence, who made his fortune in the gold mines of the island of New Zealand, where he still resides, and William, an employee of the British government on the same island.

Patrick Golden was confirmed in the Catholic faith by Bishop Dixon, of the see of Armagh, was educated in the National school of his parish, and was reared to manhood on his father's farm. In

1872 he came to the United States, landed in New York, and thence at once came to Princeton, to join an uncle, being then a poor young man, and here, through his inherent ability and tact, has lifted himself to the front rank in business circles. He was first married in May, 1880, by Father Merckle, to Miss Barbara Schmitt, the result of the union being two children, viz: Mary M., who was confirmed at the age of eleven years, by Bishop Chatard, was educated in the public schools, and also received an excellent musical training; Charles W., the second child, is being educated in the public schools and is in the fifth grade. Mrs. Golden departed this life April 15, 1890, at the age of thirty-three years and seven months, a true Catholic. The second marriage of Mr. Golden was solemnized March 1, 1892, by Father Torbeck, with Miss Anna M. Schmitt.

The business career of Mr. Golden, which commenced twelve years ago, has been very prosperous, and he now stands among the foremost of the mercantile men of Princeton. In politics he is a stanch democrat, and cast his first presidential vote for Samuel J. Tilden. He is one of the leading members of St. Joseph's congregation, and contributes very freely of his means to the support of his church. He is respected for his personal integrity and with his wife mingles with the best social circles of Princeton. He is the owner of considerable real estate and his residence is one of the most modern in the city, where his genial and cordial disposition brings to him many visits from admiring friends.

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**B**ARTLEY A. GORDON, inspector and foreman for the Richmond Natural Gas company, at Richmond, Ind., was born in West Liberty, Logan county, Ohio, August 23, 1866, and is a son of Bartley and Bridget (Roberts) Gordon. The father was born in Ballinamore, Leitrim county, Ireland, December 24, 1828, and was there reared to manhood. He went to England and sailed for the United States July 28, 1851, and landed in New York city September 15, 1851. He then went to West Bloomfield, Essex county, and for ten months worked as a general laborer, and

then came west, in 1852, as far as Ohio, and was employed as section foreman for about twenty-five years at West Liberty, Logan county.

At Urbana, Ohio, January 11, 1862, he married Miss Bridget Roberts, and to this union were born eleven children, of whom six are living and are named Mary, Peter, Anna, Rose, Ellen and Bartley A. Mr. Gordon has now been engaged in farming on his own account for about twenty-one years, and is a devout member of St. Patrick's church at Bellefontaine, near which place his farm is situated.

Bartley A. Gordon, our subject, has filled his present position for nine years, and has given unusual satisfaction not only to the company but to the public. He was married November 9, 1892, by Rev. Father McMullen, of St. Mary's church, to Margaret Brannan, and this union has been blessed with two children—Ellen and Mary. For the past three years Mr. Gordon has been president of branch No. 634, Catholic Knights of America, and is also president of division No. 1, of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, at Richmond.

REV. JOHN B. GORMAN, the assistant priest of St. Francis Xavier Catholic cathedral at Vincennes, is a native of county Fermanagh, Ireland, was born December 3, 1863, and is the eldest of the five children born to Terence and Mary Gorman, who came to America in June, 1864, and settled on Long Island, N. Y. Mary, the eldest daughter of the family, is in the Dominican convent in New York, and of the other three children, Francis is a plumber in New York city, Eliza died at the age of fifteen years, and Joseph died in early childhood.

Father Gorman was educated primarily in the public schools of Long Island and the parochial schools of his church, and his classical and theological education was acquired at St. Meinrad's college and seminary. He was ordained at Indianapolis, Ind., March 26, 1894, by Bishop Chatard, and returned to his parental home to say his first mass in the church of the parish in which he had passed his childhood. After a visit of a few weeks with his par-

ents he was assigned to his present office in St. Francis Xavier's cathedral, where his piety and zeal have been the subject of much commendation. He is a gentleman of high literary attainments, is genial, companionable and benign, and is a clergyman whose usefulness in future years will be felt in any field to which the mother church may see fit to assign him.

**D**ANIEL MATTHEW MORONEY, proprietor of the Moroney Medicine company, No. 2484 West Michigan street, Indianapolis, was born in Henry county, Ind., February 4, 1861, son of Matthew and Mary (Mack) Moroney, both parents natives of county Clare, Ireland. Matthew and Mary Moroney were married in Hagerstown, Ind., and the former died in 1871; the mother, who afterward became the wife of Anthony Scott, resides on the home farm in Hancock county, to which the family removed about the year 1865.

Matthew and Mary Moroney reared a family of four children—the eldest being Martin, a traveling salesman for the wholesale house of D. M. Osborne & Co., with headquarters in Indianapolis; the second in order of birth is the subject of this sketch; Margaret married Michael Mannix, a farmer of Darke county, Ohio, and the youngest, James J., tills the home place, and resides with his mother, who became a widow the second time in 1895.

The first four years of Daniel M. Moroney's life were spent in his native county, and for the succeeding twenty-four years he lived in the county of Hancock. He attended the public schools during his minority, and, owing to the death of his father, was early obliged to contribute his share toward the support of his mother and the younger members of the family. While attending to the many duties of the farm, he learned those lessons of industry and economy which have marked his subsequent years, and it is to his credit that he never set his mind to any task without, in the end, realizing its accomplishment.

When twenty-eight years of age, Mr. Moroney engaged in the drug trade at Maxwell, Hancock county, where he remained three



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years, and at the end of that time removed to Indianapolis, establishing his drug business in this city in June, 1894. Since locating in the Capital city, he has built up a fine trade in the general drug line, besides which he has achieved more than a local reputation as the manufacturer of ten different kinds of proprietary medicines, which have a large sale throughout Indiana and many other states. He employs a regularly graduated pharmacist who assists in the preparation of these remedies, and such is their popularity that he is kept very busy in order to supply the constantly increasing demand for them.

Mr. Moroney was married October 4, 1893, to Miss Maggie O'Mara, only child of Jerry and Mary O'Mara, of Indianapolis, the ceremony being solemnized by Rev. Father Curran, pastor of St. Bridget's church. Mrs. Moroney was educated in the parochial schools of Indianapolis and she and her husband are devoted members of St. Anthony's parish (Haughville), in which they are highly esteemed. They are the parents of two children—Leon, born November 5, 1895, and Hellen, whose birth occurred on the 6th of February, 1896. Mr. Moroney is a charter member of the Young Men's institute, and politically wields an influence for the democratic party, with which he has voted ever since attaining his majority.

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**G**EORGE P. GORDON, baggage agent of the P., Ft. W. & C., G. R. & I. companies, and member of the common council of Fort Wayne, was born in Greene county, Pa., June 24, 1833. His father, William D. Gordon, was born in Greene county, Pa., in 1812, and was the son of George Gordon, who was born and reared in Pennsylvania and died in 1832. William D. Gordon removed to Ohio in 1835, where he followed farming until his death, December 28, 1878. His wife was Catherine Keenan, who was born in county Fermanagh, Ireland, about 1812, and came to America when thirteen years of age. Her death occurred in Ohio in 1879. To them three sons and nine daughters were born, who are living, with the exception of four daughters.

George P. Gordon was reared in Ohio until the spring of 1856,

when he went to Madison, Wis., where for five years he was engaged in traveling for a wholesale establishment. He next came to Fort Wayne, but remained here only a short time, going next to Lancaster, Ohio. In 1862 he returned to Fort Wayne and engaged in farming in Pleasant township until the fall of 1865. He next went to Woodburn, Ind., with J. K. Edgerton and remained one year. Returning to Fort Wayne he took a position on the city police force, and held the same for one year. August 1, 1868, he entered the railroad business as night baggage agent, and six years later was promoted to his present position. Mr. Gordon was married in 1857 at Madison, Wis., to Catherine Ring, who was born in Perry county, Ohio, September 28, 1834. To their union ten children have been born, six sons and two daughters of whom survive, viz: Rose E. (wife of F. A. Aman, of Fort Wayne), William D., John F., Daniel D., Joseph G., Mary E. (now Sister Georgiana, of the order of the Sisters of Providence), James S. and Charles E. Of these, William D. is married to Miss Margaret Baker, daughter of K. Baker, of Fort Wayne, and Daniel D. is married to Miss Lena Mettler. The family are all devout Catholics, and Mr. Gordon is a member of the Catholic Knights of America, also of St. Joseph's Benevolent society and the Ancient Order of Hibernians and St. Vincent de Paul association. Mr. Gordon was elected to the common council of Fort Wayne in the spring of 1889, and is a sound democrat.

**J**OHAN GORDON, master mechanic, Belt shops, Indianapolis, and prominent member of the Church of the Assumption, is a native of Ohio, born April 15, 1857, in the city of Cincinnati. His parents, James and Winifred (Farrell) Gordon, were both natives of Roscommon county, Ireland, but came to the United States in their youth and were made husband and wife in Cincinnati. Their family consisted of the following children: James, who died at the age of twenty-four; Luke, Patrick and Thomas, triplets—the first named dying when five months old and the others at the age of six months; the next in order of birth is the

subject of this sketch; Lizzie died in her nineteenth year; Bee, wife of Henry Blomyer, lives in Indianapolis, where her husband is a fireman on the Belt; they have had two children—Annie, wife Joseph Clark, an employee of the Belt, and Willie, who died at the age of sixteen. The next is Thomas, a fireman on the Belt, with his home in Indianapolis.

The parental home of the subject was removed from Cincinnati to Richmond, Ind., in 1864, and both parents died in the latter city, the mother in 1892, aged sixty, and the father in 1894, at the age of sixty-six. John Gordon served an apprenticeship to the machinist trade in Indianapolis, and this has been principally his life work. He spent five years as a locomotive engineer and four years as master mechanic at Florissant, Mo., returning to Indianapolis at the end of that time and re-engaging with the Belt shops, with which he has since continued. For three years Mr. Gordon has held the responsible position of master mechanic, and has discharged the duties of the same with credit to himself and satisfaction to the company with which he has so long been prominently identified.

He was married in St. John's church, Indianapolis, by Very Rev. Mgr. Bessonies, May 1, 1877, to Miss Ellen McGinty, the accomplished daughter of Martin and Mary (Dixon) McGinty, a union blessed with the birth of seven children: Mary W., the eldest, was born April 1, 1881, and died when eight weeks old; Annie, the second, was born June 12, 1882; Lizzie was born in Florissant, Mo., in 1884, and died at the age of five years; Martin, the next in order of birth, was born November 25, 1887; James was born March 7, 1890; Francis January 22, 1892, and Gertrude April 20, 1896.

Mr. Gordon and family belong to the Church of the Assumption, of which his wife is a leading spirit. Religion to them is a rule of life, and they exemplify by their daily conduct the pure faith as laid down by the Holy Mother church. Politically, Mr. Gordon is a democrat, and has served as a member of the central committee. He has never aspired to political honors, however, preferring to give his entire time to the responsible duties of the position he so acceptably holds.

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JOSEPH I. GORDON is a native of Washington, Daviess county, Ind., was born February 17, 1862, and is a son of Bartholomew and Margaret (Hart) Gordon, who reared a family of nine children, viz: Edward, John, Mary, John (second), Anna, Frank J., Peter, James J. and Joseph I., all of whom are now deceased, with the exception of Frank J., James J. and Joseph I., who all reside in Washington, Ind.

Bartholomew Gordon, father of the above family, was born in county Ferimanagh, Ireland, in 1803, a son of Patrick and Annie (Roonie) Gordon, was reared to general labor or day-work, and in 1830 came to America. For a short time he was employed in general labor at Rome, N. Y., whence he went to Illinois, but soon after came to Washington, Ind., where he continued at day-work until his death, from inflammatory rheumatism, July 17, 1876—a sincere Catholic and a member of St. Simon's congregation. His widow now has her home with her son, Joseph I., the subject of this memoir, who is caring for her with filial affection during her declining years. She is a member of the Altar society of St. Simon and has faithfully reared all her children in the faith of her church.

Joseph I. Gordon was educated in the parochial school of his native city, which he attended until thirteen years of age, when he began work in a coal mine, and at this and at general labor, wherever it could be found, he continued until 1882, and then found steady work as a laborer for the Washington Gas company until the fall of 1883, when he secured a position as barkeeper, which occupation he followed until July, 1886, when he began the same class of business on his own account at his present stand.

October 17, 1893, Mr. Gordon married in Jennings county, Ind., Miss Catherine Maschino, a native of that county, born November 27, 1866, a daughter of Peter and Elizabeth Maschino, natives of Alsace, Germany, and early settlers of Jennings county, Ind. Three children have blessed the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon, and are named Joseph Edward, Carl Matthews and Stella Catherine. The family belong to St. Simon's congregation, and Mr. Gordon is a member of St. Mary's branch, No. 770, Catholic Knights, of which he is the financial secretary. In politics he is a democrat, but has never been an office seeker, although he has been

always active in advancing the interests of his party. He is a genial, good-natured and obliging gentleman, has hosts of friends, and is the owner of his residence on Hefron street and other valuable city property.

James J. Gordon, whose genealogy may be traced in the biography of his younger brother, Joseph I., preceding this record, was born in Daviess county, Ind., October 8, 1857. He was educated in the parochial school of his native county, and at the age of sixteen years apprenticed himself to the shoemaker's trade, for two years, followed his calling three years, and then was employed in coal mining until 1882, when he resumed his trade, at which he worked until 1884, when he engaged in general labor until 1887, since when he has been assisting his brother, Joseph I.

Mr. Gordon was married, in Washington, May 31, 1881, to Miss Mary M. Flick, of Dubois county, Ind., and this union has resulted in the birth of seven children, viz: Margaret, Annie, Joseph W., Henry, Mary, Roger B., and Helen Elizabeth. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon, with their children, are members of St. Simon's congregation, and Mr. Gordon is also a member of the Young Men's institute and of the Catholic Knights. His political affiliations are with the democratic party. He has been industrious and thrifty through life and owns his residence, while his social relations are respectable and wide-spread.

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WILLIAM GORMAN, the oldest foreman at Mitchell, Lawrence county, Ind., in the employ of the B. & O. S. W. railroad, as far as continuity of employment may be considered, was born in county Kings, Ireland, September 7, 1838, a son of James and Bridget Gorman, both of whom died in Ireland, the parents of seven children, viz: Winifred, who is married to Peter Dempsey, and still lives in the old country; William, our subject; John, and Margaret (married to Thomas Dunn), also are still in the Emerald isle; Mary, who came to the United States, married Francis Dunn, and died in Perry county, Ill.; Bridget, wife of James Higgins, of New Jersey, and James, still in Ireland.

William Gorman was reared on a farm owned by his father and had very good school advantages, both parochial and private, of which he gladly availed himself, and willingly walked two and a half miles to attend. At the age of twenty-five years, he married Anne Connolly, also a native of county Kings. In 1864, he came to the United States, he and wife both having some means, and first found employment in New York at railroad work, with which he became very familiar and to which he determined to devote his life-labor. In February, 1870, he came to Mitchell, where he has ever since held the position he at present fills. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Gorman has been blessed with three children, viz: Elizabeth, wife of William M. Keane, William and John, all residents of Mitchell.

Mr. Gorman has ever been active in matters pertaining to the Catholic church, and was largely instrumental in forming the Catholic congregation and erecting its house of worship in Mitchell. Prior to 1871, mass was read in private residences or any other places that might be found convenient. There were then but few Catholic families residing in Mitchell, those of Mr. Gorman, Michael C. Keane, Joseph Sowers, John O'Donnell and William Boland being the more prominent, and these were the active spirits, in 1870, in organizing the movement having in view the erection of a church-edifice. The church society was organized early in 1871, the construction of the building commenced, and by the close of the year was completed, at a cost of \$6,000, and paid for as soon as built. It is a neat brick structure, and for the payment of its construction, as well as for the ground on which it stands, contributions were made by many Catholics from outside parishes, as well as by many Protestants. The edifice was consecrated by the bishop of the diocese of Vincennes, and the congregation is in the care of the priest at Shoals.

JOHN GRADY, a prominent Catholic citizen of Indianapolis, resides with his family at 526 Sanders street. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, in November, 1858, and is a son of Michael and

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Alice Grady, both of whom were natives of Ireland, but who came to the United States in early life. They were married in Cincinnati, and there spent all their married life, Mr. Grady dying there and Mrs. Grady afterward removing to Indianapolis. They were the parents of but two children, viz: John and Michael, the former the subject of this sketch, and both residents of Indianapolis.

John Grady grew to manhood in Cincinnati, attending both the public and the Catholic schools. Until attaining his twenty-fifth year he was variously engaged, since that time (1882) having been employed as engineer by the Indianapolis Gas company. His brother, Michael, has been with the same company in the same capacity since 1875, the two brothers alternating, one being on duty during the day, the other during the night.

November 10, 1886, Mr. Grady was married to Miss Honora McCarthy, a daughter of Timothy and Honora McCarthy, natives of Ireland, who early became citizens of Indianapolis. Her father died some years ago, but her mother still resides in that city. They were the parents of three children, of whom Mrs. Grady is the only survivor. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Grady was solemnized by the Rev. Father O'Donaghue, at St. Patrick's church. They are the parents of three children, viz: Walter, Nora and Raymond, all whom were baptized by the Rev. Father O'Donaghue. Mr. and Mrs. Grady and their children are among the highly esteemed Catholic residents of Indianapolis, and are residents of St. Patrick's parish, respected by all that know them.

**G**USTAVE A. GRAMELSPACHER, assistant cashier of the Farmers & Merchants' Bank of Jasper, is one of the four children born to John and Francis (Dupps) Gramelspacher, who early came from Germany and located in Dubois county, Ind.

Gustave A. Gramelspacher was born July 30, 1875, in Dubois county; was reared in the city of Jasper, attended Jasper college, and graduated in 1891, being one of the first to graduate from that institution. He was appointed deputy auditor May 15, 1892, and served for three years, when he resigned that position to accept

his present one. The bank was opened August 15, 1895, with John L. Bretz as president, and Jacob Burger, Jr., as cashier. In politics Mr. Gramelspacher is a democrat, and his first vote for president was for William J. Bryan. He is a very popular young man, is unusually apt in business matters, and is fully qualified to perform the duties pertaining to his present responsible position.

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**HON. FRANCIS MURPHY**, ex-mayor of Vincennes, Ind., and president of the People's Savings, Loan & Building association, was born in Ripley county, Ind., May 13, 1854, and is a son of Michael C. and Nancy W. (Andrews) Murphy.

Michael C. Murphy is a native of county Westmeath, Ireland, was born May 12, 1818, and at the age of sixteen years came to America. In 1852 he married, in Ripley county, Ind., Miss Nancy W. Andrews, a native of Hamilton county, Ohio, and a daughter of W. S. Andrews, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church. To this union were born three children—Francis (our subject), Mary and John M. The father had worked under Gen. George B. McClellan when the latter was civil engineer for the Ohio & Mississippi railroad, and during the late Civil war was appointed inspector of bridges on that road by the officer named; his total period of employment on the road extended from 1858 to 1880, when he retired to Vincennes, where he and his son Francis live together under the same roof, the latter being unmarried.

Francis Murphy, our subject, at the age of six years, had the great misfortune to lose his mother, when the home circle was in consequence disrupted. At the age of eight he was placed in St. Vincent de Paul orphan asylum, three miles from Vincennes, under the jurisdiction of the Sisters of Providence, and there passed seven years under tuition in the ordinary English branches primarily. After passing a year in the family of a German farmer, he returned to Ripley county, attended school awhile, and thence went to Moore's Hill college in Dearborn county, Ind., a Methodist institution. It had been the father's intention and the desire of the subject that he be educated for the ministry of the Catholic





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church, but poor health rendered this impracticable on the part of the latter, as it also prevented his completing the course at Moore's Hill college.

Although Mr. Murphy has passed twenty-two years in the liquor business, he has never taken a drink of spirits. For several years he conducted two places at Sullivan, Ind., in conjunction with an extensive establishment of the same character in Vincennes.

In May, 1882, Mr. Murphy, as a republican, was elected a member of the Vincennes city council. In 1884 he modified his political views and became a democrat. Twice he has been elected to this office by the republicans and once by the democrats, serving, in all, five years. In May, 1889, he was chosen mayor of Vincennes, serving two years. In 1891 he was re-nominated for the office by the democrats, but by an anti-Catholic combination was defeated by only one vote. In 1890 the People's Building & Loan association was organized in Vincennes and Mr. Murphy was chosen its president, which position he still ably fills. The capital of this company is \$1,000,000.

Mr. Murphy is a member of St. Francis Xavier Catholic church, and is prominently associated with sodalities. He served one term as president of branch No. 256, C. K. of A., as first lieutenant, uniform rank, St. Paul's commandery, C. K. of A., and is also adjutant-general for the United States for the same order; he is a member of the B. P. O. E., and was an organizer of lodge No. 291, of Vincennes; he is past deputy great sachem of Indiana, and past sachem of Piankishaw council, I. O. R., of Vincennes; is also a member of the Liquor Dealers' association of Indiana, has served as its vice-president, and was instrumental in securing the passage of the anti-quart law.

**W**ILLIAM M. GRADY, member of the Indianapolis fire department, was born in London, England, December 22, 1871, and is a son of John and Mary (Finn) Grady, natives respectively of county Kerry and county Limerick, Ireland. They were married in London and resided there several years afterward, as well as about fifteen years before their marriage. John Grady

was by occupation a glass manufacturer on his own account in England, and died in Brighton in 1885. The mother of the family, after her husband's death, brought her children to the United States, and located in Indianapolis in 1889. Her children are as follows: William M., the subject of this sketch; Ellen, Mary and John M., all of whom are living and all at home with their mother, at No. 1007 Senate avenue, South.

William M. Grady obtained a thorough education in English in the Catholic schools of London, and on arriving in Indianapolis became a clerk with the "Big Four" Railway company, with which he remained about three years. One year was spent as a deputy in the office of the county recorder, and another year in the employ of the Kingan Packing company. One year was spent in Chicago, and in November, 1896, he was appointed to a position in the Indianapolis fire department, as a member of hose company No. 17, which position he still retains. Mr. Grady is still unmarried, is a member of division No. 2, Ancient Order of Hibernians, and the family are all members of St. John's Catholic church, of which the Rev. Father Gavisk is the pastor. Politically he is a democrat, but has never held nor sought office. He is a man of principle, honest in his dealings with his fellow-men, and respected by all that know him.

**T**HOMAS GREANY, of No. 1514 Spann avenue, Indianapolis, is a representative of one of the pioneer Catholic families of St. Patrick's parish. His parents, Dennis and Mary Greany, were born in county Kerry, Ireland, but came to America when young, and were married in Richmond, Ind., September 29, 1854, and then located in Cumberland, Marion county, and in 1862 came to the city of Indianapolis, where the father's death occurred very suddenly on December 10, 1869. He was a truly pious Catholic, and possessed the respect of all who knew him. His widow is still a resident of this city, and of their six children Ellen is the wife of Henry Blemer, Mary is married to Thomas B. Shoemaker, Thomas is the subject of this notice, Margaret is the wife of

Joseph Stevens, John lives in Indianapolis, and Catherine died in infancy.

Thomas Greany, our subject, was born in the village of Cumberland, Marion county, Ind., October 9, 1860, and was but two years of age when his parents settled in Indianapolis. He first attended St. John's parochial school and later St. Patrick's, and was among the first to receive communion in the present St. Patrick's church, the sacrament being administered when he was but eleven years old, and being confirmed on the same day he received his first communion. After leaving school he was placed at work in a heading factory, where he remained seven years, then entered the employ of the P., C., C. & St. L. Railway company, and since 1886 has been a locomotive engineer.

The marriage of Mr. Greany took place October 16, 1887, to Miss Mary Stevens, daughter of Valentine and Rose Ann Stevens, natives of Germany, but now most worthy Catholic residents of Piqua, Ohio, and this marriage has been blessed with two children—Dennis W. and Mary. The family, as intimated, are members of St. Patrick's church, to the support of which they freely give their aid, and Mr. Greany is a charter member of Capital council, No. 276, Young Men's institute, and is, moreover, one of the most highly respected residents of his parish.

**M**ICHAEL H. GREENEN, a well-known Catholic citizen of Indianapolis, residing at No. 230 South Noble street, was born in the parish of Dorough, county Kings, Ireland, May 24, 1844, a son of Peter and Mary (Conway) Greenen, who had been playmates in childhood, having been born within the limits of one and the same year, and within the bounds of the same parish.

In 1850 Peter Greenen came to America, bringing with him his wife and four children, and landing in New Orleans, thence going, via water, to Cincinnati, Ohio, and four months later proceeding to Urbana and settling on a farm near that city. There were two more children born to the parents, and all six reared to mature or nearly mature years, with one exception, and there Mr.

and Mrs. Greenen passed their lives until 1872, when they came to Indianapolis, to which city their son had preceded them. Here Mr. Greenen secured a position as flagman on a railroad, and while in the performance of his duties as such was instantly killed by a train in June, 1874. He was a sincere Catholic and an industrious and respected citizen. The widow survived her unfortunate husband several years and died also in the Catholic faith.

Of the six children born to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Greenen, Joseph W., the eldest, is a resident of Holy Cross parish, Indianapolis; Michael H. is the subject, principally, of this notice, and is the next in order of birth; Mary is the wife of Patrick Graham, of Springfield, Ohio; and the youngest born, Anna, is married to John McGroarty, of Indianapolis; Thomas was accidentally killed while engaged in railroad work, in July, 1873, at the age of twenty years, and Ella died, at the age of six, in Champaign county, Ohio.

Michael H. Greenen assisted his father on the home farm until 1863, when he came to Indianapolis, worked a few months at brickmaking for T. A. Lewis, then in Fletchers' nursery a few weeks, again worked at brickmaking, and in October of the same year returned to the Ohio home and attended school the ensuing winter; in the spring, returning to Indianapolis, he worked at brickmaking for a Mr. Simonds, then attended his home school the following winter, and finally, in the spring of 1865, made Indianapolis his permanent home. In October of the same year he entered the employ of the P., C., C. & St. L. Railroad company as brakeman; later, he was promoted to be fireman, which position he held three years and eleven months; was next yard engineer for two years and was then given a freight engine, and in 1876 was appointed to a passenger engine, which situation he has continuously held to the present time. During all of these years he has met with no serious accident, and to his credit, be it said, not even one for which he was held responsible. In 1883, when all the engineers on the road went out on a strike, he was out eighteen days only, when, at the solicitation of the company, he returned to duty, and, with one exception, was the only striking engineer ever permitted to re-enter the service of the company, and is now the oldest engineer, in

respect to continuous service, in the company's employ, with possibly one exception.

Mr. Greenen was united in marriage, June 30, 1873, with Miss Ellen L. Coffield, daughter of Jeremiah Coffield, of Urbana, Ohio, and this union has been blessed with nine children, viz: Daisey M., Nettie F., Ignatius P., Regina A., Joseph W., Harry M., Albert J., Clementine, and Leo Francis. The family are highly respected members of St. Patrick's church and Mr. Greenen is a member of St. Patrick's branch, No. 563, Catholic Knights of America, and to Capital council, No. 276, Young Men's institute, and no family in the city is more respected than his.

**P**ATRICK E. GRANNAN, junior member of the hardware and agricultural implement firm of Fanning & Co., of Montgomery, Ind., is a native of Daviess county, was born January 28, 1858, and is a son of Patrick and Phœbe A. (Mullen) Grannan.

Patrick Grannan was born in Longford county, Ireland, December 25, 1810. In 1840 he came to Daviess county, was here married to Miss Mullen, a native of the county, and lived a farmer until his death, November 1, 1894, a devoted Catholic and a member of St. Patrick's congregation. Mrs. Phœbe A. Grannan is still a resident of St. Patrick's parish and is a most devoted Catholic. The family born to Patrick Grannan and wife consisted of four sons and four daughters, of whom seven are still living, viz: Mary E., widow of Owen Clarke, and a resident of Loogootee; Bridget, wife of Michael Cahill, an undertaker in Montgomery; George, a farmer of St. Patrick's parish; Margaret, wife of John Fanning, hardware merchant of Montgomery; Patrick E., whose name opens this article; Peter J., a farmer in St. Patrick's parish, and Anna, wife of James Murphy, also of St. Patrick's parish.

Patrick E. Grannan was reared on his father's farm, and was educated in the common school of his district. He was confirmed in the first class of confirmation in the new church of St. Peter's at Montgomery, by Bishop de St. Palais, and was the youngest male member of that class. He commenced his business life in

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1883 as a farmer, and followed the vocation about twelve years, and met with very fair success. June 5, 1883, he married Miss Bridget Tucker, a native of Daviess county, and a daughter of William and Margaret (McDonald) Tucker. Mrs. Grannan was also confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais, and was the youngest female member of the class, the event taking place the same day her husband was confirmed, they being members of the class from St. Patrick's parish, but confirmed in St. Peter's church. To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Grannan have been born eight children, all of whom still live to bless the household of the parents, viz: Leo, who received his confirmation from Bishop Chatard; Mary E., Clara M., George, William V., Anna B., Rose and Cleophas. In 1895 Mr. Grannan came to Montgomery and engaged in his present business with his brother-in-law, John Fanning, and toward the success of this firm he has proven to be a vital factor.

In politics Mr. Grannan is a firm democrat, and in 1896 and 1897 served his party as well as his fellow-citizens as treasurer of the town of Montgomery, the duties of which office he performed to the entire satisfaction of all concerned. In religion he is a devout Catholic, and he and family are among the prominent members of St. Peter's congregation, to which they contribute of their means very freely. Since the advent of Father Rowan, as pastor of this congregation, over three years ago, improvements have been made to the extent of nearly \$11,500, and toward the furnishing of this sum Mr. Grannan has not hesitated to contribute his quota. Mr. Grannan has an elegant home in Montgomery, and he and family are among the most highly respected citizens of the thriving little village.

**T**HOMAS A. GREENE, a veteran journalist, city circulator of the News, and a representative of one of the earlier Catholic families of Indianapolis, residing at No. 1010 High street, within the limits of St. Patrick's parish, is a son of John and Barbara (Fitzpatrick) Greene, and was born in Hagerstown, Wayne county, Ind., August 30, 1853.

John Greene, now deceased, was a native of county Clare,



Ireland, and when a young man came to the United States, in 1850, and at once became a resident of Indiana. December 10, 1852, he married Miss Fitzpatrick, who was also born in county Clare, Ireland, and had, in fact, been his schoolmate. In 1862 he first came to Indianapolis, but in 1865 he removed from this city to Franklin, Johnson county, Ind., where he was employed as a railroad foreman, and continued a railroad employee at various places, until the family returned to Indianapolis in 1869, where, in the later years of his active life, he was engaged in contracting for city improvements, and here his lamented death occurred February 22, 1895, in the faith of the Catholic church, of which he had been a life-long member. He was an extensive reader and a man of much general information, and in every respect a most worthy citizen. His widow, who was born in 1820, is still a resident of this city, where five of her children also reside, viz: Thomas A., John N., Michael F., Ellen (wife of Charles McCarthy) and William A.; two others, Mary and Henry, have passed away.

Thomas A. Greene, the eldest of the seven children enumerated above, was about nine years of age when his parents first came to the Railroad city, as Indianapolis had been nicknamed, was educated in the public and parochial schools, and was confirmed in the Catholic faith in 1865. He is a veteran newspaper man, having been connected with the press since 1874, and since 1880 with the Indianapolis News company.

Mr. Greene was united in marriage, September 28, 1881, at St. Patrick's church, by Rev. Father McDermott, with Miss Anna F. Murphy, a native of Montour county, Pa., and a daughter of Michael and Bridget Murphy, who were born in county Sligo, Ireland. Mr. Murphy was called from earth, in the faith of the Catholic church, in November, 1890; Mrs. Murphy now makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Greene, calmly awaiting the call to join her departed husband. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Greene has been blessed with eight children, of whom six still survive—John J., William, Joseph, Thomas, Henry and Edward—the deceased having been named Charles and Mary Margaret. The family is one of the most respected, as well as one of the oldest, of St. Patrick's parish.

REV. J. H. OECHTERING, the rector of St. Mary's church, was born December 23, 1845, in Lingen, Hanover, a son of Clement and Mary (Grotemeier) Oechtering. He attended the schools of his native city until twelve years of age, after which he spent one year at the gymnasium, a school for the higher branches of literature and science, in the same city of Lingen. In 1858 he was sent to college in Muenster and remained seven years, after which he spent two years at the university in the same city. In 1867 he entered the American college of Louvain, Belgium, as a candidate for the priesthood. He was ordained for the diocese of Fort Wayne, by the coadjutor archbishop of Malines, May 21, 1869. Father Oechtering came to America the same year, and was assigned to Elkhart, residing, however, at Mishawaka. He had charge of Elkhart one year, when he was transferred to St. Joseph's church at Laporte, where he remained ten years. July 14, 1880, he was appointed pastor of St. Mary's church, Fort Wayne. In 1888 he was named "immovable rector" of the same church. During his pastorate in Fort Wayne, Father Oechtering published a pamphlet on capital and labor which attracted favorable attention throughout the United States and in Europe.

JOHN GREENER, the accomplished tonsorial artist of Huntingburg, Dubois county, Ind., and formerly one of the trustees of St. Mary's church, is a son of Joseph and Barbara (Witcher) Greener, was born near Huntingburg, May 16, 1869, and was reared on the farm of his parents, receiving his education at the common schools. As a boy, he represented the head of the family, the father's health being very poor. He served a full apprenticeship at the barber's trade, and later has conducted a first-class shop. He was united in marriage, May 17, 1892, to Miss Josephine M. Judy, born January 9, 1878, a daughter of J. F. Judy, of Jasper, Dubois county, but no children have been born to this marriage. Mr. Greener and his wife were confirmed by Bishop Chastard, and are both members of St. Mary's church, are faithful to their duties, and enjoy to a wide extent the respect of the com-





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munity in which they live. Socially Mr. Greener is a member of the Y. M. I.; politically he is a democrat and cast his first presidential vote for Cleveland.

NICHOLAS GRIBLING, the genial proprietor of the Gribling house, at LaFayette, Ind., was born in the province of Lorraine, France, December 6, 1833, a son of Nicholas and Margaret (Blaising) Gribling. He was taught the baker's trade when young, and in 1852 came to the United States, accompanied by four other boys about his own age, and landed in New Orleans, where he remained until 1854; he then came to LaFayette, via Cincinnati, and was employed as baker and pastry cook in different hotels until 1861, when he opened a restaurant, which he conducted until 1864, when he purchased the Gault house, which he successfully conducted until he built the St. Nicholas hotel, which he opened on Thanksgiving day, 1874, and which he managed until 1891, when he sold out and has since carried on his present popular hotel, the Gribling house.

The parents of Mr. Gribling came to the United States in 1854, and ended their days in LaFayette, where their sons, Christian and Nicholas, still have their homes, and also one daughter, Kate, wife of Maple Long; Justine, another daughter, is the wife of John Elsenheimer and resides in Cincinnati.

Nicholas Gribling was united in marriage in 1856 to Miss Kate Hertzog, a native of Bavaria, Germany, and the union has been blessed with four children, viz: Edward, of Tampa, Fla.; Frank; Emanuel, who died November 14, 1894, at the age of twenty-two years, and Harry. Mr. Gribling is a very popular member of the republican party, and has served three years as water works trustee and as a member of the city council twelve years. He has always been a good manager in business matters, and his fortune has been made through his individual efforts. As a landlord he is genial, affable, polite and ever attentive to the wants of his patrons, who, once partaking of his hospitality, never fail to "call again" on revisiting the Star city.

**G**EORGE O. GRIFFIN, deceased, was at one time numbered among the thrifty business men and Catholic citizens of Indianapolis. He was born in Madison, Ind., in 1839, his father, William Griffin, having been a native of county Tipperary, Ireland, and one of the very earliest Catholic settlers of Madison. In that new place he was one of the most active and influential of those who organized and built up St. Michael's parish. He was in every way a most worthy citizen, and the father of a numerous family, of whom but one son, Gerald Griffin, of St. Louis, Mo., still survives.

George O. Griffin grew to manhood in his native city, his occupation there being that of a wholesale grocer and liquor dealer. In 1863 he was married to Miss Martha M. Bright, daughter of Michael G. and B. B. Bright, the maiden name of the latter having been Steele. The parents of Mrs. Griffin were natives of New York and Kentucky respectively, and were most excellent people in every way. In 1873 Mr. Griffin removed with his family to Indianapolis, where he engaged in his former business. In religion he was a most devout Catholic, and morally he was an honest and upright citizen. He died September 2, 1895, mourned by his family and a large circle of friends.

Mrs. Griffin and her children still reside in the city, her children comprising three sons and three daughters. The sons are William, George and Michael, and the daughters, Martha, Brooke and Mary. Mrs. Griffin, though not of Catholic parentage, is yet a devout adherent of the Catholic church, and is liberal in its support. Her children have all been brought up in the same religion which she professes.

**P**ATRICK J. GRIFFIN, who lives at No. 1121 Hoyt avenue, Indianapolis, and is a stoker at the gas works, has been a resident of St. Patrick's parish since 1891. His birth took place in the village of Curragrague, near Tralee, the capital city of county Kerry, Ireland, November 17, 1866, and is the eldest of ten children born to Patrick and Ellen Griffin, who still reside in their native isle, although the father at one time made a trip to America,



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but after a short stay here returned to his home in Ireland. Of the ten children alluded to, Patrick J., John and Annie, all of Indianapolis, are the only representatives of the family in America.

Patrick J. Griffin was reared to farming, and in December, 1891, came to Indianapolis direct from the old country, having a number of relatives at that time living in this city. Here he was united in marriage, April 26, 1893, with Miss Kate O'Keefe, a native of Lyreaoune, in the parish of Rathmore, county Cork, Ireland, and one of a family of fourteen children, four of whom are deceased. She came to America in 1884, when fifteen years of age, but her parents still reside in the old country. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Griffin has been blessed with two children, Ellen Marie and Patrick Dominik. They are devout Catholics, and Mr Griffin is secretary of division No. 3, Ancient Order of Hibernians, is a member of district of Marion county Hibernians, and also of Capital council, No. 279, Y. M. I., of which latter order his brother John, who came to America in 1896, is also a member. Mr. Griffin is a gentleman of more than ordinary acumen, and since making his residence in Indianapolis has made many warm friends. Mrs. Griffin is quite an accomplished lady and is an ornament to the society circle in which she and her husband pass their leisure hours. Their home is the abode of domestic felicity, and there is a still brighter future for Mr. and Mrs. Griffin in the land of their adoption.

JOHN H. GRIMME, deceased merchant tailor, of Fort Wayne, was one of seven children born to John J. and Mary (Starman) Grimme. The father was born in Germany, December 8, 1797, came to the United States in 1848, and died June 2, 1889.

John H. Grimme was born in Hanover, Germany, August 4, 1822, attended the common schools and learned the tailor trade, beginning in 1837 in Germany, and at the age of seventeen years came to the United States. He lived in New York city about three years and there finished learning his trade. He then moved to Pittsburg, and later to Cleveland, and Cincinnati, Ohio, remaining

a short time in each place, then moved to Dayton, Ky., where he lived for thirty years. In 1871, he came to Fort Wayne, and opened a tailoring establishment on West Wayne street, where the Louis Mohr building now stands. By hard and constant labor he built up a large business there and eventually retired in July, 1897, selling out to his son, Gerhardt B.

Mr. Grimme was married August 25, 1845, to a Miss Anna Rickers, whose father was from Germany, and to this union have been born eleven children, five of whom are living: John C., Gerhardt B., Anna S., Elizabeth and Theresa.

During the late Civil war Mr. Grimme was faithful to the flag of his adopted country, and served as a soldier with the Union forces in Kentucky, and later became one of the most highly respected citizens of Fort Wayne, having long been connected with the business interests of the city and county. In the early part of 1897, he suffered a paralytic stroke, and about April 8, 1898, had another attack, which resulted fatally on the 15th, and three days later his mortal remains were interred in St. Paul's cemetery. The lamented deceased was a sincere Catholic, as are all the surviving members of his family, and no man stood higher in the esteem of the citizens of Fort Wayne.

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**G**RINSTEINER BROTHERS.—Among the business establishments long existing in Indianapolis, is that of Grinsteiner Brothers, undertakers, whose business is located at No. 522 East Market street. This business was established by the father of the two gentlemen referred to, George Grinsteiner, who was born in Germany in 1819, there grew to manhood and obtained his early education, and for some time worked in a foundry. Upon coming to the United States, a young man, he located first in Cincinnati, Ohio, and was there married to Mary Ann Reed, who was born in Pennsylvania.

While Mr. Grinsteiner resided in Cincinnati, he was also engaged in a foundry. The undertaking business he established in Indianapolis was at first of modest dimensions and started on

small capital, the city itself being then much smaller than now. Mr. Grinsteiner carried on this business with success until his death, May 3, 1889, when he was succeeded by his two sons, George W. and William H., they employing their elder brother, Joseph, in the business. George Grinsteiner was a man of character and ability, a good citizen and a consistent Catholic, and much esteemed by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

The firm of Grinsteiner Brothers has recently erected a fine brick structure at the place already mentioned, No. 522 East Market street, almost precisely on the same spot where was located their father's business, which he carried on for so many years. They are well known to many people, and are well-informed as to modern methods pertaining to their business, and are highly esteemed members of St. Mary's church, of which the Rev. Father Scheideler is the pastor. Beside the three brothers mentioned above, there were three sisters in the family, two of whom still survive, and are respected equally with their brothers.

In January, 1896, Anthony Lauck became a partner in the firm, and he cares for a branch business located at No. 1312 Union street. George, the senior member of the Grinsteiner Brothers, was married in Indianapolis, November 14, 1883, in St. Mary's church, to Alice Schœendorf. She was born in this city, and is a daughter of Nicholas Schœendorf, and by this union four children have been born, viz: Gertrude, Herman, George and Alice, all members of St. Mary's church. Mr. Grinsteiner is also a member of St. Joseph, St. Boniface and St. Francis societies, and in politics is a democrat.

Wm. H. Grinsteiner, the junior member of the firm, is single and makes his home with his mother at old No. 87 North Noble street, and worships at St. Mary's church. He also is a member of St. Joseph's society, and is a democrat.

**F**ERDINAND GROTHAUS, a native of Richmond, Ind., where he still maintains his residence, was born April 1, 1856, and is a son of Gerard and Catherine Grothaus, the former of whom was born in Hanover, Germany, in 1822, of Catholic parents, was

educated in a parochial school, and then trained to the trade of cabinetmaking.

After working some years at his trade in the old country, Gerard Grothaus came to America, landing in New Orleans, La., in 1848, from which city he went to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he worked at his trade until 1855. About this time Gerard Grothaus married Catherine Roenker, and soon afterward came to Richmond, Ind., where he employed himself at his trade until his death, September 10, 1893. To his marriage were born five children, of whom Ferdinand, the subject of this memoir, was the third in order of birth. Gerard Grothaus was a faithful Catholic and an ardent member of St. Andrew's church, of which he was at one time a trustee, and was also a charter member of St. Joseph's society. His wife, also a member of St. Andrew's and of St. Ann's society, died November 19, 1893, and the remains of both husband and wife rest in peace in St. Andrew's cemetery.

Ferdinand Grothaus received a good education in the parochial school, and this was supplemented by an attendance at the Richmond Business college, and after finishing his education he engaged with his father in the furniture business, in which he has since met with a most flattering success. He was married in St. Andrew's church, Richmond, by Rev. Father Seibertz, October 26, 1886, to Miss Josephine Ramler, and three children have blessed the union, viz: Mary, Agnes, and an infant not named at the present writing. The parents are devoted Catholics and belong to St. Andrew's church, to the support of which they liberally contribute, as well as to any enterprise that promises the promotion of the community in which they live. Mr. Grothaus has been a very industrious man and has led a temperate and moral life, and consequently enjoys the respect of all who know him, and this respect is shared by his amiable wife and young family.

**A**NTHONY GRUSENMEYER, ex-county treasurer of Cass county, Ind., has been a resident of Logansport since 1853, and for thirty-two years was engaged in the manufacture of carriages, but is now retired. He was born in Alsace, May 27, 1832,

a son of Valentine and Catherine (Schwartzman) Grusenmeyer, the former of whom died in his native country February 3, 1850. There were ten children in the family, three of whom died young, and of the survivors Michael and Catherine (wife of George Bisch) came to the United States in 1846.

Shortly after receiving the announcement of the death of the father Michael returned to his native land for the purpose of bringing over the mother and the remaining five children, and in August, 1850, the family bade farewell to their home. After a journey of two weeks' duration they reached Havre, September 11, and on the 13th sailed from that port for the land of promise. All things went well until October 13, when they were caught in a severe storm and the vessel dismasted. Two days later another vessel came to their rescue and towed them to St. Thomas, an island in the West Indies, belonging to Denmark, and there they remained from October 26 until December 6, the vessel in the meanwhile undergoing repairs. December 23 they arrived in New Orleans, and on the 25th started up the river for Cincinnati, where they arrived January 6, 1851; on the 8th they started for Dayton, Ohio, arrived on the 9th, and temporarily settled in that city. The mother, however, was soon called from earth, dying in the Catholic faith September 9, 1851. Of the children, Joseph, who was a blacksmith by trade, came to Logansport, realized a competency, on which he retired, and died a true Catholic January 29, 1896, at the age of eighty-two years, leaving four children: Catherine (Mrs. George Bisch) died in Dayton, Ohio, leaving five children; Michael resides on a farm near Dayton; Mary, wife of George Roth, resides in Montgomery county, Ohio; Anthony, the next in order of birth, is the subject of this biography; Magdalena, married to Philip Lefert, still lives in Dayton, and Casper died in Logansport, Ind., in 1852, leaving one child.

Anthony Grusenmeyer enjoyed excellent school advantages until thirteen years of age, and then worked on his father's farm until the latter's decease. While at Dayton, Ohio, he worked on the state repair-boat, on the canal; on coming to Logansport, he learned the blacksmith's trade with his brother Joseph, for whom he worked until 1862, when he engaged in business on his own

account until 1884, when he was elected county treasurer, and re-elected, serving two terms, or until 1888, and then for four years conducted a grocery, which he later transferred to his son, Charles X., and retired to private life.

The marriage of Anthony Grusenmeyer took place in Logansport, in 1857, to Miss Elizabeth Schockome, who was born in this city July 18, 1837, a daughter of Joseph and Catherine Schockome, natives of Bavaria, Germany, and to this happy union have been born nine children, of whom four, however, died in early childhood, and one son, Joseph, was killed by a railroad train at the age of nine years. Of the surviving four, Mary C. is the wife of William C. Bronson, of Peru, Ind.; Frederick M. is a blacksmith at LaFayette, Ind.; Charles X. is the successor to his father in the grocery trade at Logansport, and Elizabeth J. resides with her parents at their elegant home, No. 96 Eel River avenue.

In politics Mr. Grusenmeyer has always been a staunch democrat, and, prior to his election as county treasurer, had served as a member of the city council from 1872 to 1874. In religion a devout Catholic, he and family are members of St. Joseph's church, of which he has frequently been a trustee and always one of its close advisers, as well as one of the most liberal contributors to its support. He is a public-spirited citizen, and cheerfully aids in the promotion of all work designed for the public weal, and as a business man was ever upright and straightforward in all his dealings. He came to Logansport a poor young man, and at the date of his marriage was possessed of \$20 only; he now owns five substantial residences in the city, including his valuable dwelling, and also several tracts of land adjoining the town, all of which have been earned through his energy and industry, as well as foresight, and he and family are among the most respected residents of Logansport and of the county of Cass.

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**H**ENRY WILLIAM GUETIG, who resides with his wife at No. 625 East Market street, Indianapolis, was one of the earliest Catholic settlers of Indianapolis. He was born in Louisville, Ky., April 9, 1835, his parents being Peter Oscar and Catherine (Schaffer)

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Guetig, the former of whom was a native of the city of Wurms, Hesse-Darmstadt, and the latter of Hansheim, near the city in which her husband was born. They came to the United States in 1827 and resided for a short time in New Orleans, whence they removed to Louisville, Ky., where they passed the remainder of their lives. They were consistent Catholics and excellent citizens, and were the parents of nine children, four of whom are now living, viz: Peter, Philip, Kate and Henry W., all residents of Louisville, except Henry William, the subject of this sketch. Two of the subject's brothers, Charles and Henry, were soldiers in the Union army during the war of the Rebellion and were killed at the battle of Stone River, the former being lieutenant-colonel of the Fourth Kentucky cavalry, and the latter captain of a company in the Twenty-third Kentucky volunteer infantry. Both were brave, gallant and faithful soldiers. Peter and Philip were also soldiers on the Union side during the same war.

Henry William Guetig has been a resident of Indianapolis since 1852. He was married August 23, 1859, by the Rev. Father Siegrist, at St. Mary's church, to Miss Barbara Dubois, daughter of John and Anna Dubois, and to this marriage there were born two children, Amelia and one unnamed, both of whom are deceased. During all of the forty years of their residence in Indianapolis, Mr. and Mrs. Guetig have been members of St. Mary's parish, or rather since the organization of that parish, Mr. Guetig being one of the trustees of the parish for six years, and having assisted in the building of the church. For four years he was president of St. Boniface society, performing his duties in this, as in all other positions which he has filled, conscientiously and to the satisfaction of all concerned. He was active and successful in business, having been the proprietor of the Spencer house in Indianapolis, which was a famous hostelry, for eight years, and was connected with that house in various capacities for twenty years. In his early days he learned the trade of barber, and is now conducting a shop near his house on East Market street. Mr. and Mrs. Guetig are among the well-known citizens of Indianapolis, and enjoy the respect and esteem of all that know them.

John Dubois, father of Mrs. Guetig, and one of the early

Catholic citizens of Indianapolis, was born in Prussia, near the border of France, in 1797. As his name indicates (Du Bois), he was of French ancestry. Upon arriving at manhood's estate, he married Anna Baker, and in the vicinity of his birth their children were born. In the spring of 1853 the family emigrated to the United States, landed in New York, remained there about six months, removing thence to Madison, Ind. In 1855 they came to Indianapolis, where Mr. and Mrs. Dubois passed most of the remainder of their lives. Mr. Dubois was a shoemaker by trade, at which he worked many years, and died in Chicago, to which city he had removed a short time before, his death occurring in 1867. His wife survived him many years, dying in 1883, at the Spencer house, of which Mr. and Mrs. Guetig were then the proprietors, she at the time being seventy-eight years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Dubois were all their lives consistent Catholics and estimable people, and they reared their children carefully in the faith they themselves entertained. They had nine children, six of whom grew to mature years, and two of whom still survive. Mrs. Guetig has an elder sister, Mrs. Kate Marceger, of Chicago. Those who grew to mature years, beside these two sisters, were Mrs. Margaret Gale, John, Joseph and Matthew.

**REV. MICHAEL L. GUTHNECK**, rector of St. Michael's church, at Madison, Jefferson county, Ind., was born in Jasper county, Ill., March 12, 1848, a son of Charles and Anna (McManus) Guthneck, the former a native of Alsace, France, and the latter of Philadelphia, Pa., of Irish parentage.

Charles Guthneck was born in 1814, and came to the United States when twenty-one years of age, with a French colony, who made their headquarters at Vincennes. He became a stone and brick contractor and built many bridges for the Baltimore & Ohio and Southwestern railroads. He resided chiefly in Jasper, Richland and Lawrence counties, Ill., and acquired a competency. To his marriage were born eight children, of whom five reached mature years, viz: Francis, who resides in Jasper county, Ill.; John, now deceased; Rev. Michael L., the subject; Mary, a Sister



of Providence, and Emma, who also became a Sister of Providence, but is now deceased.

Rev. Michael L. Guthneck was primarily educated in the public schools of Jasper county, Ill., and for two years taught in the public schools of the same county. He then entered St. Meinrad's seminary, in Spencer county, Ind., and on St. Michael's day, 1878, was ordained by Bishop Chatard, Rev. C. J. Conrad, of Seymour, Ind., and himself being the first two priests ordained by the bishop mentioned. Rev. Father Guthneck was assigned to the charge of St. Michael's church and St. Patrick's mission at Cannelton, Ind., and during his administration the new St. Patrick's church was built at a cost of \$12,000, leaving an incumbrance of \$2,000 only at the time of his leaving. But the reverend father's health became impaired, and he was obliged to pass some time in recuperating on the sea-coast. On his return to Cannelton he was transferred to New Alsace, Dearborn county, in March, 1885, and placed in charge of St. Paul's church. He remained about sixteen months and succeeded in paying off considerable of the church debt. He was then assigned to the pastorate of St. Vincent's church in Shelby county, and also had charge of the church at St. Paul, Decatur county. He frescoed St. Vincent's church in a most tasteful manner and finished the priest's house, and was ever indefatigable in his labors to improve both the spiritual and temporal condition of his parishioners.

In November, 1890, Rev. Father Guthneck came to Madison, and here his energy has also been made manifest. He has frescoed St. Michael's, put in new altars, statues, stations of the cross, etc., and is now placing in position a fine pipe organ, at a cost of about \$2,200; he has also furnished the edifice with a 2,000-pound bell, and finely stained-glass windows, and made several minor improvements, and still the congregation has been free of debt for the past six years. There are about 200 families in the parish, and the school is in charge of the Sisters of Providence, of whom there are usually five engaged in the work of instruction. Rev. Guthneck has proven himself to be a zealous clergyman, and an untiring servant of the church, as well as a devoted father of his flock.

**J**OSEPH HABIG, a flour-mill proprietor at Greensburgh, Decatur county, Ind., was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, April 29, 1841, and was there reared and educated.

Ambrose Habig, grandfather of subject, was a native of Baden Baden, Germany, brought his family to America and settled in Hamilton county, Ohio, near Cincinnati, when that western metropolis was little more than a village, and engaged in market gardening—the Dayton depot now standing on the land he originally occupied. He and family belonged to St. John's church, which was the first German Catholic church erected in Cincinnati, and stood very high in the esteem of the community in which they had so long lived.

Anthony Habig, father of Joseph Habig, was one of the children of Ambrose who came with his father from Baden Baden to America. He was a well educated man, spoke the German, French and English languages, and married, in Cincinnati, Miss Mary A. Donnersberger, a daughter of Anthony and Eve Donnersberger, the father of the lady being also a gardener, whose garden was in part the site of the present St. Anthony's church, which site he donated to Father Purcell. To Mr. and Mrs. Habig there were born, beside Joseph, John B., who is one of the oldest undertakers in Cincinnati, and Mary E., who is now the wife of a Mr. Braunstein. Mr. and Mrs. Habig were devout Catholics and members of St. Anthony's congregation, and in this faith the father died September 21, 1851, and the mother in October, 1875. The father was most skillful in his vocation, gave his children good educations, and left a fortune valued at \$30,000.

Joseph Habig, at the age of twenty years, enlisted, in Cincinnati, in September, 1861, in the Fifth Ohio volunteer cavalry, under Col. H. H. Taylor, and served until honorably discharged in June, 1865. He was a gallant soldier and made an excellent military record, and took part in all the battles in which his regiment was engaged, beginning at Shiloh and fighting through Tennessee, Kentucky, Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia and South Carolina, receiving his discharge at Savannah.

He was married in Cincinnati, June 8, 1865, to Miss Theresa M. Hartlaub, the ceremony being performed in the Franciscan

church, and this marriage has been blessed with nine children. In 1880 he removed to Shelbyville, Ind., and in 1895 came to Greensburgh, where he has since prosperously operated his flour-mill, which has a capacity of 150 barrels per day. In politics Mr. Habig is a democrat, and although stanch and true to his political views, is not at all aggressive in his advocacy of his party's principles. In religion he is a true Catholic, and has been very liberal toward his church, having donated a statue of St. Joseph to St. Lawrence church in Cincinnati, a statue of the Sacred Heart to his church in Shelbyville, has also paid for the Sacred Heart for St. Mary's church in Greensburgh, and a statue of the Sacred Heart for the church at Siberia, Ind. He and family are now members of St. Mary's congregation in Greensburgh, and his son Anthony is a major of the Knights of St. John—the third highest rank in the state of Indiana.

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**J**OSEPH HALTEN, a retired carpenter and builder of Vincennes, Ind., was born in Alsace, France, September 24, 1834, a son of Frank and Katherine (Messong) Halten, the former of whom was a gardener and farmer. Besides Joseph there were six other children in the family, viz: Charles, who was a soldier in the Franco-Prussian war, and who, on his return home, was taken sick and died; Louis, also a soldier in the French army, died in Africa while in the service of his country; Katherine is married and lives at the old family home in Alsace; Marie lives on the strip of territory acquired by France from Spain, and is also married; Adele died a married woman, and Rosina died single.

Joseph Halten learned the carpenter's trade in his native country, and in 1854 came to America, reaching Vincennes January 14, and this city has ever since been his home. The greater part of his business career was as a journeyman, but after entering upon contracting and building on his own account he met with very fair success, and is now living on his means.

Mr. Halten was united in marriage, April 16, 1861, by Rev. Father Engle, at St. John's German Catholic church, with Miss

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Rosina Heitzman, a native of Westmoreland county, Pa., born June 11, 1845. Their union has been blessed with six children, viz: Michael, a clerk in a grocery and married; Marie, who is the wife of Victor Klann but is residing with her parents; Joseph, who is a cooper by trade, but is now clerking, and is also married; Louis, a clerk in a clothing store; Rosina Elizabeth died in childhood, and Anthony died at the age of eleven years. The family worship at St. John's German Catholic church and are very highly esteemed by the citizens of Vincennes. In politics Mr. Halten and his sons support the principles of the democratic party.

**PATRICK HAMILL**, whose place of business is at No. 802 West Washington street, Indianapolis, Ind., was born in Belfast, county Antrim, Ireland, in 1852. He is a son of John and Serena (Murney) Hamill, both natives of Belfast, in which city they passed their entire lives. Mrs. Hamill died in 1875 and Mr. Hamill in 1877. They were the parents of four children, two sons and two daughters, as follows: John, who is now a resident of Glasgow, Scotland, where he is employed by the Caledonian Iron works; Patrick, the second in order of birth and the subject of this sketch; Mary Ann, wife of Patrick Kelley, of Belfast, Ireland, and one who died in childhood.

Patrick Hamill emigrated to the United States in 1881, having been employed, however, in Belfast, Ireland, by the Kingan Packing company, of Indianapolis, in a branch house of theirs in the former place, for some years. Upon arriving in Indianapolis he still remained in the employ of the same company, making now a total of twenty-three years. Mr. Hamill is a skillful packer, this being recognized as a trade by the packing fraternity as much as any other branch of skilled labor. In July, 1896, Mr. Hamill returned for a visit to his native country, remaining there about two months. Upon again coming to Indianapolis he engaged in his present business, which he, however, had established a short time before going to Ireland in 1890, and he has been thus engaged ever since. He still remains single. Since 1883, when he was

naturalized, he has been an uncompromising democrat, and has been an active worker for his party's success, but has never held nor sought to hold official position. Religiously he is a member of St. John's church, contributes liberally to its support, and is by all that know him highly thought of as a man and citizen.

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**M**ARTIN HALEY, a retired business man of Monroeville, Allen county, Ind., was born in county Galway, Ireland, November 18, 1826, was educated in the common schools, and at the age of twenty years engaged in farming on his own account. Later he began railroading, which he followed twelve years, and then opened a saloon, which business he profitably conducted for sixteen years, and then retired to private life. He married Miss Katie Coin, which union has been blessed with four children, viz: Mary (now Mrs. J. Funk, of Toledo, Ohio), Catherine, Maggie and Ellen, all devout members of the Catholic church.

Mr. Haley was reared in the Catholic faith and he has ever been prompt and liberal in his contributions to its support. His wife is also devoted to this faith and both have passed their lives in strict accordance with its teachings. Mr. Haley is much respected in the community, and his family, with him, enjoy in a high degree the esteem of the neighbors with whom the parents have lived for so many years, and with whom the younger children have passed their days since childhood.

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**R**EV. GEORGE A. HAMILTON (deceased).—Father Hamilton was a native of Marion county, Ky., and was born in 1818. Educated at St. Mary's college, Lebanon, his labors led him from Kentucky to Illinois, and he became pastor of St. Mary's, LaFayette, in 1864. Never was pastor more beloved by his flock than was Father Hamilton. Unaffected and plain in his manners, he disdained ceremony. As a matter of conviction and duty he followed the ritual of the church, but socially he had little sympathy

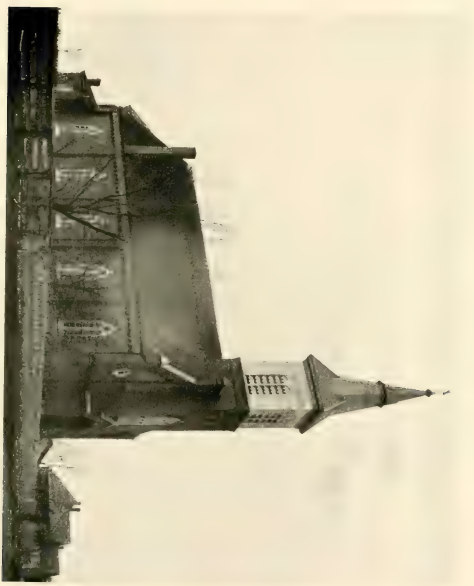
with forms and observances. In all his words and ways sincere, outspoken, practical and direct, he was the personification of common sense. The manifestations of his unaffected nature were, however, not inconsistent with the possession on his part of refined and elegant learning. In all his church buildings he controlled and directed the architects; in matters of taste and ornament he asked no advice from the decorators. A linguist, familiar with the two great languages of antiquity, he possessed so accurate a knowledge of the French, that he studied with delight the sermons of Bossuet and Massillon in the original, and in 1848, published a volume of these sermons translated into admirable English. Beneath his unaffected manner was veiled a warm and sympathetic heart. As a natural result he was a universal favorite. "All things to all men," he was universally popular.

Early in May, 1874, Father Hamilton joined the first American pilgrimage to Rome in company with Bishop Dwenger, and died, after his return, on April 10, 1875.

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REV. TIMOTHY O'DONAGHUE, of St. John's church, Loogootee, Martin county, Ind., is a native of Daviess county, and was born November 9, 1844, a son of James and Mary (Toomy) O'Donaghue, both natives of county Cork, Ireland, but who came to America shortly after marriage and landed in the city of New York, where they resided until 1834, when they came to Indiana and settled in Daviess county, where the father's death took place January 17, 1878, and that of the mother February 27, 1896, leaving a family of ten children.

Rev. Timothy O'Donaghue, with whose name this biography is opened, received a sound public-school education and later attended St. Joseph's college at Bardstown, Ky., for four years, and completed his studies at St. Meinrad's college, in Spencer county, Ind. February 17, 1878, he was ordained priest by Bishop Purcell, and in the same month was assigned to the charge at Montezuma, Ind., and was also given charge of the mission of St. Mary's at Rockville, near by. After eighteen months of arduous



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and faithful, and, withal, successful labor in the cure of souls at these points, he was transferred, in recognition of his merits, to a broader and more useful field—that of St. Mary's in Daviess county, and also given the charge of St. Joseph's parish, in Martin county. In 1890, he was assigned to his present position of pastor of St. John's at Loogootee, and here has ever since labored steadfastly in the work of the church, proving to be a most acceptable spiritual guide to a constantly increasing flock, and by self-abnegation, piety and courtesy, winning the respect of people of all sects and conditions in life.

**D**ANIEL J. HANDLIN, a well-known railroad conductor, of No. 1417 Fletcher avenue, Indianapolis, has been a resident of St. Patrick's parish since May 9, 1891. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, November 13, 1851, a son of John and Mary Handlin, but lost his father when an infant. He was the youngest in a family of five, the others being James, of Seymour, Wayne county, Iowa; Mrs. Maria Rittmum, of Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Lizzie Hickey, of Fletcher avenue, Indianapolis, and a sister, who died young. After the death of her husband, Mrs. Handlin became Mrs. Mahoney, when subject was five years old, and passed away November 27, 1890, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hickey.

In 1864, when Daniel J. Handlin was in his fourteenth year, he was seized with a strong desire to serve his country in the then pending Civil war, and ran away from home for the purpose of enlisting on one of the gunboats at Cincinnati, but his mother, ascertaining the fact, pursued him and returned him to his home. But his ardor was not dampened nor in any degree cooled, but rekindled, rather, by the veterans who, about this time, were returning home on furlough, and gave accounts so glowing of victory on the battle field, that young Handlin determined to reach the front at all hazards, and so "beat his way" down with some of the soldiers as they returned to their various commands. He arrived at the front just as Gen. Sherman was about to start on his famous Atlanta campaign, but was yet too young for enlistment, but happened to fall under the notice of Regimental Sur-

geon Herbert, who took charge of him and utilized him in discharging his surgical duties throughout the entire campaign, in which the protege witnessed some of the hardest-fought battles of the war.

On his return home he resumed his studies at school, which he continued until 1867, when he began his railroad life, which he has now followed for more than thirty years. He was married in Cincinnati in September, 1873, to Miss Mary V. Hayden, who was born in Ohio, but at the age of six months was taken to what is now West Virginia, her father, Michael Hayden, being one of the early settlers of Parkersburg. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Handlin has been blessed with two children—Regina Mary, born November 21, 1879, and John Hayden, born August 5, 1883. The family are greatly respected by their neighbors for their unvarying habits of propriety and their uniform observance of the teachings of their church.

**H**ENRY F. HANF, a highly respected citizen of Indianapolis, is a native of this city and was born on South Jersey street, October 5, 1859.

Henry and Eva (Mueller) Hanf, parents of Henry F., were of pure German stock, but were born in Alsace, a province of France at the time of their birth, but which has reverted to Germany and is now the province of Elsass. They came to America while yet single, were married in Indianapolis, and now reside at No. 546 South Jersey street, the father having retired from active labor at his trade of boilermaking. Their children, four in number, were named Minnie, who is the wife of Turnkey Taffe, of the police station; Lizzie, widow of Jacob Huffmann, residing with her parents; Henry F., subject; and Frank, who died in infancy.

Henry F. Hanf was early apprenticed to upholstering and this has been his life-calling, having passed eighteen years in the employ of Speigle, Tombs & Co., and the last six years with the New York store, his long tenure of each situation being indicative of his skill and faithfulness. June 22, 1882, he was united in wedlock with Miss Mary A. Mock, a native of Indianapolis and a daughter of

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Martin and Anna Mock, natives of Germany, but married in Cincinnati, Ohio, and the parents of eight children, viz: Frederick, Lizzie and Stephen, deceased; Mary A., now Mrs. Hanf; Joseph, deceased; Henry, of Indianapolis; John, deceased, and Charles, who resides on a farm three and a half miles southeast of Indianapolis. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Hanf has been blessed with four children, born in the following order: Lizzie, June 1, 1883; Edward, November 8, 1885; Clara, December 16, 1887; and Gertrude Catherine, August 19, 1897. The family are consistent members of St. Patrick's church, and Mr. Hanf is also a member of St. Joseph's society of St. Mary's church, the pastor of which, Very Rev. A. Scheideler, V. G., performed the rite which made Mr. and Mrs. Hanf husband and wife, and in which church was administered the rite of their first communion. Mrs. Hanf was, before marriage, a member of the Young Ladies' sodality of St. Mary's, but matrimonial cares now absorb her attention, and her membership at St. Patrick's, her religious devotions and charities, she and Mr. Hanf being very liberal in their donations toward the maintenance of the latter ennobling virtue.

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JOHN HANLEY, manufacturer of lounges, couches, tents and awnings, Terre Haute, was born in Rutland, Vermont, December 27, 1846, son of John and Ann Hanley, both parents natives of Ireland. John and Ann Hanley came to the United States in 1846, settling in Vermont, from which state they subsequently removed to Boston, Mass., thence, about the year 1856, to Hamilton, Ohio, where they resided until 1860, at which time Mr. Hanley came to Indiana and located at Greenfield. After spending some years at the latter place, Mr. Hanley moved to the city of Wabash, where the wife died in 1884; he is still living, his home at this time being at Washington City, D. C.

When the family moved to Greenfield the subject of this sketch went to Indianapolis where he was for some time clerk in a grocery house; later he began in a small way the business of manufacturing and repairing mattresses, and meeting with much

encouragement, he continued the same at the state capital until 1870, at which time he removed to Terre Haute and embarked in the business of manufacturing tents, awnings and mattresses on a much larger scale. In 1886 he took a partner into his business, and the firm thus constituted was known as John Hanley & Co. In 1893, the business was incorporated under the name of the John Hanley Manufacturing company, with branches at Indianapolis and Louisville, Ky., Mr. Hanley being president of the company.

Owing to the stringency of the times, the company was compelled to make an assignment in 1895, but the year following, Mr. Hanley bought the business of the assignee, and has since operated it with the most encouraging success, employing at this time about thirty men and shipping his goods to thirty-three states, beside supplying a large and constantly increasing local demand.

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since 1877 and was married in this city. His wife was formerly Miss Mary O'Connell, daughter of Thomas and Honora O'Connell, both natives of county Kerry, Ireland, who came to the United States in early life, and who were married in Elmira, N. Y. From that place they removed to Ohio and thence came to Indiana, settling in Farmland, Randolph county, where the death of the husband and father of the family took place, and which was caused by his being struck by a train of cars.

Almost immediately after the occurrence of this sad event the widow removed her family to Indianapolis, there being eight children, the youngest but a few months old. These children she labored hard to rear and educate, with the view of starting them on their careers in such a manner that they should become good and useful citizens, setting before them an example of industry and devotion to her religious faith which is worthy of all commendation, and which is presenting itself to the world through their lives. She lived to see them all grown to maturity and to become settled in life, and she died September 29, 1895, in the seventy-eighth year of her age. Three of her children have also died, and all of those that survive reside in Indianapolis.

Mrs. Harrigan and her sister, now Mrs. Nora Murray, had the honor of teaching the first class in St. Joseph's parish school which received the ordinance of holy communion. Following is an account of this event published at the time:

For some time past the teachers of St. Joseph's Catholic school, Misses Mary and Nora O'Connell, have been preparing their pupils to receive what the Catholic church considers the greatest sacrament, holy communion. First time since the school was established, the pupils, to the number of fifty, met at the home of their teachers, on John street, at an early hour, and formed a procession headed by the recently organized Irish band, numbering twenty pieces, and marched to St. Joseph's church, where solemn high mass was celebrated. The choir sang Spock's mass in D. The singing was led by the organist, Miss Mollie Higgins, who was assisted by Misses Torrence, Corcoran, Doyle, Flynn and Murdock and by Messrs. O'Brien, Garleigh and McHugh. This was a most interesting occasion. Rev. Father Alerding delivered a most impressive and eloquent address to the class on this occasion from the text: "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If any



man shall hear my voice and open unto me the door, I will come in to him, and sup with him and he with me." The occasion was a most interesting one.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrigan were married in 1887, and have been blessed with three children, viz: Thomas, Josie and Hugh Cornelius, whom their parents intend to educate in such a way as to fit them for the important duties of citizenship.

JOSEPH EUGENE HARBISON, foreman of the molding department, National Malleable Casting company, Indianapolis, was born in Williamsburg, Pa., March 27, 1861. His parents, William and Sarah (McGraw) Harbison, were both natives of the Keystone state, the former born in Williamsburg and the latter about twelve miles from that city. The paternal branch of the family is of Irish origin, the subject's grandfather having been a native of the city of Belfast; there is also an admixture of German blood, as the ancestors of the grandmother were natives of Germany. William Harbison, a farmer by occupation, departed this life in the year 1877; his widow is making her home, at this time, in Pittsburg, Pa. To William and Sarah Harbison were born ten children, whose names are as follows: Henry, Edwin, Mary, Jennie, John F., Joseph E., Kate, Stephen, William and Elizabeth, all living except the last named. With two exceptions, the brothers are mechanics; John and Henry reside in New York city, Edwin, Stephen, William and Kate are living in Pittsburg, the rest in Indianapolis.

Joseph Eugene Harbison learned the molder's trade in Pittsburg, where he was employed for a period of twelve years. He came to Indianapolis in May, 1890, and worked about one year as journeyman molder for the National Malleable Casting company, and was then promoted assistant foreman, which position he filled two and a half years. Such was the ability displayed while holding the place that, in due time, Mr. Harbison was made foreman of the molding department, a position of great responsibility, and withal of liberal salary, the duties of which he has discharged in

an eminently satisfactory manner to the present time. He has under his control ordinarily a force of 200 men, but when running at full force 500 men are required to do the work in this department.

The marriage of Mr. Harbison and Miss Lulu Armstrong, of Pittsburg, Pa., was solemnized in St. Mary's church, Indianapolis, November, 1889, and the union has been blessed with the birth of four children: Sarah, Mary, Josephine and Eugene, all living.

Mr. Harbison and family are members of St. Anthony's parish, and he belongs to the Catholic Benevolent association connected therewith; Mrs. Harbison was reared in the Presbyterian faith, but became converted to Catholicism prior to her marriage.

CHARLES HARRINGTON, attorney and counselor at law, with offices in rooms 515-517 Indiana Trust building, Indianapolis, Ind., was born at Cambridge City, Wayne county, Ind., December 14, 1867. Mr. Harrington belongs to a well-known family of Indianapolis, his father, Dennis Harrington, having removed to this city in 1881.

Dennis Harrington was born in county Cork, Ireland, near the famous city of the same name, in 1814, and on attaining his manhood he married Johanna McCarthy; in 1849 he emigrated with his wife and family to the United States, locating first at Troy, N. H., removing thence to Dayton, Ohio, thence to Cambridge City, Ind., and finally to Indianapolis, as stated before, in 1881. Here he died in 1894. Dennis Harrington was a member of the Catholic church, and was a consistent, practical Christian, a worthy citizen, and highly thought of by those that knew him. At his death he left a widow and several children, of whom Charles, the subject of this sketch, is the youngest son.

Charles Harrington was for some years stenographer for the firm of Ayers & Jones, attorneys-at-law, and pursued the study of law in their office. He was admitted to the bar in 1892, and remained with his preceptors until 1895, when he opened an office of his own at the location above mentioned, Nos. 515 517 Indiana Trust building. He married, July 26, 1893, in St. Joseph's church,

Miss Jennie M. Gates, of Indianapolis, and this union has been blessed with one son, Humphrey Harrington, and one daughter, Mary Harrington. Our subject is a member of the Young Men's institute, Brownson council, No. 272. He is a general practitioner, but makes a specialty of civil law, and is building up a fine practice.

**J**OHN J. HARRINGTON, a popular dealer in saddlery, leather, shoefindings and hardware, in Richmond, Wayne county, Ind., was born in county Cork, Ireland, July 31, 1848, and is a son of Timothy and Mary (Aherne) Harrington, the former of whom was born in the parish of Kilcrea, county Cork, in 1811, and by occupation was a farmer.

Timothy Harrington, father of subject, brought his family (or wife and child) to the United States in 1851, landed in New Orleans, whence he went, via the Mississippi and Ohio rivers, to the state of Ohio, located in Dayton, and there found employment as foreman of the Panhandle railroad roundhouse, which position he filled from 1852 until 1863, when he came to Richmond, Ind., where for four years he was employed by the same company in a like capacity. He then purchased a farm of eighty acres, one mile east of Fountain City, Wayne county, increased it to 280 acres, and there followed agriculture until his lamented death, which occurred in 1875, a devout member of the Catholic church of St. Mary's parish. The seven children whom he left to mourn his loss were born and named in the following order: John J., James, Humphrey, Margaret, Mary, Catherine and Timothy F. Of these, John J. and Timothy F. are residents of Richmond, Ind., Catherine is married to Edward Quinlivan, of Richmond, Ind., and the others are at the Fountain City homestead, where still survives and resides their mother, aged eighty years.

John J. Harrington, the subject of this biographical sketch, received a good common-school education in Dayton, Ohio, but at the age of fourteen years was brought to Richmond, Ind., and here grew to manhood. At fifteen years of age he engaged as a clerk in the store of parties in the same line of business in which he is

now engaged, in 1872 became a partner, and in 1878 sole proprietor of the business.

He was married January 2, 1873, to Miss Anna Ross, of Richmond, and to this happy union have been born six children, viz: Alice, Mary E., Timothy C., John J., Anna and James Francis. The family are members of St. Mary's Catholic church, of which Mr. Harrington has been a trustee for many years, and at present is its treasurer, and was appointed by Bishop Chatard as its representative to the Catholic congress at the Columbian exposition at Chicago, Ill., in 1893. Mr. Harrington is in politics a republican and as such is at present a member of the board of city commissioners of Richmond, and beside giving attention to his thriving leather and saddlery trade, finds time to act as a director in the People's Home & Savings association. Mr. Harrington, as a business man, has made for himself a name that is beyond reproach, and as a citizen he enjoys the esteem of the entire community.

DANIEL C. HARTMAN, a deceased resident of Indianapolis, and a highly respected citizen, was a native of Fairfield county, Ohio, and a son of Michael and Barbara Hartman, natives of Germany. He was reared to manhood in his native county, and became a stonecutter, but at the outbreak of the Civil war he enlisted, at Columbus, Ohio, for the ninety-day service. Before his regiment left for the seat of war, however, he was attacked by pleurisy, the result of exposure to stormy weather, in consequence of which he was unable to accompany his corps to Washington, but as soon as sufficiently recovered in health he hurried on to the capital. There he had a relapse, which prevented his joining his regiment, which was stationed at Arlington Heights, across the Potomac river and but a few miles distant from Washington. When he had fully recuperated, he found himself debarred of his membership of his company, but honorably so, on account of his disability to serve, and as a consequence he remained in the city about three years, following his trade of stonecutter.

During this interval Mr. Hartman married, in Washington,

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November 25, 1862, Miss Margaret Falvey, a native of Virginia, and a daughter of Timothy and Margaret Falvey, who were born in Ireland. Mr. Falvey, however, was called away when his daughter, Margaret (Mrs. Hartman), was still a child, and later Mrs. Falvey removed to Washington with her five children, of whom three still survive, viz: Mary, in Baltimore, Md.; Kate, in Washington, D. C.; and Mrs. Hartman, now of Indianapolis, Ind. From Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Hartman removed to Chicago, Ill., where they resided about eight years, and then, in 1874, came to Indianapolis. The health of Mr. Hartman was never firm nor robust after catching cold in the barracks at Columbus, Ohio, and the resultant pleurisy, and his death, which occurred February 1, 1881, from consumption, was plainly traceable to the cold engendered while a volunteer soldier. Mr. Hartman was a sincere Catholic, a kind husband and affectionate father, and was greatly respected by the many friends he made in Indianapolis and in the other cities in which he had resided. To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Hartman were born four children, of whom three survive, viz: Clara A., Edwin and Mary. The deceased child, Daniel M., died July 18, 1896, at the age of twenty-eight years. The widow and her surviving children reside at 820 Bradshaw street, are devout members of St. Patrick's congregation and are greatly respected by their neighbors and many warm-hearted friends.

**I**SADORE L. HARRY, city treasurer of Lawrenceburg, Ind., is a son of George and Josephine Harry, who were born in France, came to the United States in 1853, and are still living. Our subject was born November 6, 1853, was reared in Dearborn county, Ind., attended the common schools and, at the age of thirty-two, learned the trade of wood carving, at which he worked until he went into his present business, that of grocer, etc.

His first term as city treasurer began in 1891, and to this office he was re-elected in May, 1894, and also in May, 1898. He was married in January, 1875, to Miss Celestia Wehrling, a daughter of Gustave Wehrling, of Dearborn county, and six children have

resulted from this union, of whom one is deceased. The survivors are Gus, Lottie, Celestia, Elmer and Carl L. The family are all members of St. Lawrence's church and in politics Mr. Harry is a democrat. He owns his residence, and grocery next door in connection, has been very successful in his business career, and has ever been active in promoting the progress of his party, with which he is extremely popular, and in the councils of which he is a potent factor. As city treasurer he has performed his duties well and faithfully, and to the entire satisfaction of the public.

REV. JOHN HASKAMP, the successor of Father Liesen at St. Bernard's parish, is a native of Hamburg, Ind., born February 22, 1869, and is the sixth in a family of twelve children born to Joseph and Mary (Wielenberg) Haskamp. Father Haskamp's early education was begun in the public schools and was supplemented by an attendance at St. Francis Seraficus college, at Cincinnati, Ohio, which he entered in 1889 and attended three and one-half years, taking up the classical course. In 1893 he entered the seminary of St. Francis de Sales, at Milwaukee, Wis., and there continued the classical course one year, and then took up the philosophical and theological courses and was ordained priest by Archbishop Katzer June 19, 1898. In August, 1898, he was assigned to the charge of St. Bernard parish, at Frenchtown, Ind., as the successor of Rev. Father Liesen, and is now the resident priest.

JULIUS J. HAUCK, of Aurora, Dearborn county, Ind., is a son of Adam and Mary M. (Knapp) Hauck, both deceased. He was born in Germany June 13, 1844, and came to the United States at eleven years of age and attended the common schools in Aurora, engaged at the barber trade at the age of sixteen years, and followed this calling until he sold out his business in 1895.

Mr. Hauck was married, first, to Josephine Shiebe, of Cincinnati, October 22, 1866. This lady died January 12, 1883, and Mr.

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Hauck next married Mrs. Maggie Kirser, a daughter of Benjamin and Rachel Sherman, of Germany, but later of Aurora. By his first wife he had four children, viz: Matilda C., Julius A., Lewis F. and Joseph. By his second wife he has one child, Elizabeth M. All of the above are members of the Catholic church. Mr. Hauck lives in his own residence, and rents out his business building, containing three stores. Joseph, the son alluded to above, has traveled over the world, having enlisted February 18, 1896, for four years in the United States navy, and for the present being stationed at a port in Florida. Mr. Hauck and family are greatly respected for their upright walk through life, and well deserve the high esteem in which they are held.

MICHAEL J. HAYES, a leading grocer of Washington, Daviess county, Ind., was born in county Wexford, Ireland, October 23, 1850, a son of Patrick and Jane (Lambert) Hayes, who were the parents of seven children, viz: James, deceased; Nicholas, still in Ireland; John, deceased; Mary, in Ireland; Michael J., our subject; Alice, wife of William Gately, a merchant of Chicago, Ill., and William, of Knox county, Ind. Patrick Hayes, father of this family, was a well-to-do farmer, was tax collector of his county four years, having been appointed by the crown, and was quite prominent as a member of the Catholic parish of Kilmore, Wexford county, where he died October 8, 1879, and was followed to the grave by his wife in January, 1888.

Michael J. Hayes, the subject, attended the National school in his native country until sixteen years of age, when he went to Liverpool, England, where he clerked in a general grocery store five years, and then came to America, locating first in Louisville, Ky., where he was employed five years as a shipping clerk in a wholesale grocery. October 1, 1876, he came to Washington, Ind., and for four years clerked for P. A. Campbell; in 1880 he purchased his present business, since when he has been doing a thriving trade in general groceries, queensware, and all the line of goods usually kept in a first-class grocery.

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Mr. Hayes was united in marriage in Washington, in 1885, with Miss Anna J. Allen, a native of Daviess county, Ind., and a daughter of Johnson and Mary Allen, and to this union was born one child—Anna, April 14, 1887. Mrs. Hayes died February 6, 1888, in the Protestant faith and her remains were interred in Oak Grove cemetery. April 22, 1890, Mr. Hayes chose for his second wife, in Evansville, Ind., Miss Maggie McInnerney, who was born in Daviess county in November, 1857, a daughter of Lawrence and Catherine McInnerney, and this marriage has been blessed with two children—John and Catherine. This lady, with her husband, is a pious Catholic, and both belong to St. Simon's congregation. Mr. Hayes is a self-made man, and has made his fortune through his excellent business capacity, and is now the owner of sixteen residence properties. He has been treasurer of the Daviess Building & Loan association since its organization, is in politics a democrat, and in every way a substantial, useful and respected citizen.

**W**ILLIAM M. HAYES, youngest son of William and Ann (Beckes) Hayes, was born in Vincennes, Ind., April 10, 1849. His father, a native of Ireland, came to this country in 1825, while yet a young man, and located at Vincennes, where he engaged very successfully in the dry-goods and grocery business, in which he continued until 1851, when he retired, but still resided in Vincennes until his death, which occurred January 5, 1862. He was married in Vincennes in 1834 to Miss Ann Beckes, a native of this place, who was the daughter of Benjamin V. Beckes, the first white male child born in Knox county, this state. They had seven children, viz.: Alice M., widow of M. L. Brett, of Washington; John B.; Thomas; Mary; William M., our subject, and two daughters who died in infancy. They were devout members of St. Francis Xavier's cathedral at Vincennes, the mother being a convert to the Catholic faith, in which she died August 4, 1886. Mr. Hayes was very successful in business and was noted for his liberality to the church, of which he was for years a trustee.

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schools at Vincennes. At the age of sixteen he began clerking in the dry-goods and grocery store of his brother John, with whom he remained until 1872, when he came to Washington upon the solicitation of his brother-in-law, Matthew L. Brett, late president of the Washington National bank. In this bank he clerked for two years, thoroughly familiarizing himself with the details of the important business. He was then promoted to the position of assistant cashier, which position he held until 1884, when he was elected by the directors to the responsible position of cashier, which office he has since filled with the utmost fidelity. Mr. Hayes is also quite a landholder in Daviess county, and has large holdings of local building and loan stock. He is an enterprising, public-spirited citizen, and inherits in a large degree the liberal traits of his father. He is a valuable and active member of St. Simon's church, of which he was for some years a trustee. He is also a prominent member of the Catholic Knights of America, and is a citizen who is held in very high regard in the community generally.

On October 5, 1874, Mr. Hayes was united in marriage to Winifred F. Lée, who was born in this city February 27, 1853, daughter of Clement and Sarah (Wells) Lee, natives of Daviess county, the former a well-known miller. To their union four children were born: Helen, Mary, Clement and Stella, three of whom are still living. Mrs. Hayes was a convert to the Catholic faith and died May 9, 1891, fervent in her belief, and was laid to rest in the old cemetery.

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**M**ICHAEL HAZINSKI, an active member of St. Hedwig Polish Roman Catholic church, and a leading cigar manufacturer of South Bend, Ind., was born in Poland, Prussia, September 14, 1858, a son of Valentine and Mehellena Hazinski, who were born in the same country in 1839 and 1841, respectively, the father becoming a farmer and contracting mason.

Michael Hazinski attended the parochial schools of his native land until fourteen years of age, when he was apprenticed to the blacksmith and machinist trade for five years, and after finishing his term, served two years in the Prussian army. He then came

to the United States, landing in Philadelphia, Pa., and arriving in South Bend, Ind., in 1879. Here he secured employment for six months, as a machinist, with the Studebaker Manufacturing company, after which, for a short time, he was employed in the Oliver Plow works, and then went to Coldwater, Mich., where he served an apprenticeship of three years at cigarmaking. Having mastered this trade, he returned to South Bend, and was employed as a foreman for five years by A. Grisvoi, and later commenced the manufacture of cigars, which he has conducted with financial success for the past ten years.

October 27, 1884, Mr. Hazinski was united in wedlock, at Coldwater, Mich., by Rev. Father C. Korst, to Miss Weronika Latosinska, and this marriage has been blessed with five children, who are being educated at St. Hedwig parochial school, of which church all the family are devout members. Mr. Hazinski is also a member of St. Casimir and St. Valentine societies, and is earnest in his efforts to advance the interests of both the church and its sodalities, and very generously aids with his means their support. He is widely and favorably known in business circles, and is esteemed generally as an upright and useful citizen.

**J**OHAN WALTER O'HARA, a prominent attorney at law, Peru, Miami county, was born in Connersville, Ind., September 22, 1853, a son of James and Catherine (Galvin) O'Hara, natives of Ireland.

James O'Hara was born in county Clare, in 1825, a son of Michael and Nellie (Quinn) O'Hara, and was their only child. He was reared to manhood on his father's farm, and in 1847 came to the United States, landing in Boston, where he was employed in general labor until 1850, when he came west, sojourned in Cincinnati, Ohio, until 1852, when he removed to Connersville, Ind., where he worked on the Whitewater Valley railroad, along the canal, and in pork packing until 1854, when he went to Rush county, where he worked on a farm until death called him October 19, 1861. His wife, Catherine (Galvin) O'Hara, also a native of



*John W. O'Hara*



county Clare, was born in 1827, and was a daughter of John and Nellie (Quinn) Galvin, who were the parents of eight children, Mrs. O'Hara being the fifth in order of birth. In 1847, Catherine came to America in company with two sisters and some friends, and landed in Quebec, Canada, when she went to Worcester, Mass., and there met and was married to James O'Hara, whom she blessed with seven children, viz: James and Michael, now deceased; John W., whose name opens this article; Mary E., wife of C. Fitzgerald, of Lincoln, Ill.; Elizabeth, now Mrs. M. A. Harbert, of Hoopeston, Ill.; Henry, railroad agent at LaGro, Ind., and Thomas, a contractor of Alexandria, this state. The venerable mother passed to her reward in September, 1897.

John Walter O'Hara remained in Rush county until the spring following his father's death, when the mother with her family, moved to a farm in Cass county, where our subject laid the foundation of his education by attending school until the family removed to Bunker Hill, Miami county, in 1878, where they resided until 1887, Mr. O'Hara having begun, however, a career as school-master in 1874, which he followed until 1883 in the graded schools of Miami county. Between the years 1883 and 1887, Mr. O'Hara owned and edited the Bunker Hill Press, a valuable and spicy local newspaper, that paid its expenses but did not lead on to fortune. In 1887, Mr. O'Hara entered the university of Michigan at Ann Arbor, from the law department of which he graduated the following year—1888—when he settled down to the active practice of his profession in the city of Peru, his present place of residence.

From 1888 until 1890, Mr. O'Hara made a flattering success in the practice of his chosen profession, and then admitted John B. Joyce as a partner, the association lasting one year. He then practiced alone until April, 1892, when he formed his present copartnership with E. T. Reasoner, and this firm now stand in the front rank of the Peru bar.

The marriage of Mr. O'Hara was solemnized January 15, 1878, in Kokomo, Ind., with Miss Ellen C. Thornton, who was born in Galveston, Cass county, Ind., June 6, 1857, a daughter of James and Ellen (Brown) Thornton, natives, respectively, of counties Louth and Kerry, Ireland. This union has been crowned

and blessed with nine children, viz: Alice May, deceased; Elizabeth G., James H., Genevieve Catherine, deceased; John, Patrick L., Helen, Joseph and Thomas. The family are all members of St. Borromeo church, to the support of which the parents contribute most liberally. Mr. O'Hara is also a member of the A. O. H., of which he was elected state treasurer in 1894, served two years, and in 1896 was elected its state president. In politics Mr. O'Hara is a staunch republican, and is the present manager of district No. 11 of the Indiana State League of Republican Clubs. Mr. O'Hara is the owner of 200 acres of good farming land in Miami county and also valuable city lots in Peru, and, socially, as well as professionally, is held in high esteem by all who know him.

**JAMES H. HEALEY**, a well-known citizen of Indianapolis, and, since 1895, a trustee of St. Joseph's parish, is a native of the state of New Jersey, and was born in Boonton, Morris county, October 4, 1859.

Patrick Healey, father of James H., was born in the city of Dublin, Ireland, came to America in 1839, and landed in the city of New York, whence he went to New Jersey, and there married Ellen Moore, a native of county Queens, Ireland, the marriage being blessed with four sons, viz: John, who died in infancy; William, who resides in St. Joseph's parish, Indianapolis; Thomas L., of Arlington, N. J., where Mrs. Ellen Healey also resides—all faithful Catholics and respected citizens—and James H., the gentleman whose name opens this article. Patrick Healey was a devoted Catholic and a highly respected citizen, and ended his days in New Jersey, dying in 1881.

James H. Healey remained under the parental roof until seventeen years of age, attending in the meantime a parochial school. After leaving his home to make his way through the world, he first went to Benwood, W. Va., and thence to Wheeling, tarrying but a short time at each place, and then went to Pittsburg, Pa., where he learned nail-making; then, stopping at various towns, in which he worked at his trade, he reached Terre Haute, Ind., in 1879, and

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June 3, 1888, came to Indianapolis, since when he has been a resident of St. Joseph's parish, with Rev. H. Alerding as his pastor.

While a resident of Terre Haute, Mr. Healey was united in the holy bonds of matrimony, June 7, 1880, with Miss Jessie Shearer, a convert to Catholicity, being baptized and receiving her first communion at St. Patrick's church, Terre Haute, the sacraments being administered by the Rev. V. A. Schnell. The parents of Mrs. Healey were George W. and Melinda Shearer, the former of whom was a railroad engineer for fully seventeen years, and while thus employed lost his life August 17, 1876, leaving his widow with five children, of whom Mrs. Healey is the eldest. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Healey has been blessed with three children, of whom the eldest two, Thomas P. and Arthur J., are still living, but the youngest, Marie Esther, was called away in infancy.

Mr. Healey enjoys the confidence and respect of the entire community, being active in his promotion of the interests of the church and a liberal contributor to its support. Mr. Healey is president of commandery No. 191, Knights of St. John; in politics is a democrat, and takes great interest in local affairs. He is a mechanic in the employ of the Big Four Railroad company, and has made for himself and family a comfortable home at No. 643 North Pine street.

**JOHN H. HAVERKOS**, ex-postmaster of Oldenburg, Franklin county, is a son of Joseph and Elizabeth (Westerhoff) Haverkos, the former of whom died in Germany August 15, 1893, and the latter about 1885.

John H. Haverkos was born October 5, 1839, attended the common schools, and at the age of twenty-five years landed in New York, and then came to his present home. He learned the shoemaker's trade and worked at that until 1877. He then engaged in his present public business, and was appointed postmaster June 24, 1893, under Grover Cleveland. He was married June 7, 1866, to Mary A. Wessel, a daughter of Henry and Elizabeth (Goetker) Wessel, to which marriage have been born fourteen

children, of whom ten are still living, viz: Mary (married to Ben Diedrich); Lizzie (wife of Charles R. Hohman); Joseph, Rosie, Henrietta, Nora, Frank, Amelia, Leo and Edmund—all of the family being devout members of the Catholic church.

**M**AURICE HEALEY, the popular liveryman of Montgomery, Daviess county, Ind., was born in Scott county, Ky., in 1842, the seventh of the thirteen children that constituted the family of Patrick R. and Ella (Sullivan) Healey, natives of county Cork, Ireland, but of this family there are now only four survivors. The parents had early in their married life located in Kentucky, but about 1852 came to Indiana and settled in Barr township, Daviess county, where they passed the remainder of their days and died devout members of St. Mary's congregation.

Maurice Healey was a lad of ten years when he came to Daviess county with his parents, and was here confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais. He was educated in a primitive log school-house, which was heated by a wood fire, the fuel for which was supplied by the pupils themselves, each boy in turn being detailed to chop the wood in the neighboring forest. The rod of birch was freely used for the purpose of keeping order among the pupils, whose seats were constructed of split logs, the under, or rounded, sides of which were drilled with auger holes, into which were driven pegs, which answered the purpose of legs, while the writing desk, constructed of similar material, extended the whole length of the room and was secured to the wall with wooden pegs also, and propped in front by legs similar to those of the benches.

Mr. Healey remained on the home farm until his first marriage, April 28, 1868, to Miss Sabina E. Patterson, a native of Daviess county. To this union were born seven children, viz: George P., a farmer; John T., a miner; James, a drayman of Montgomery; Joseph, associated with his father in business; Daniel F., also with his father; Maurice G., at home, and Veronica, the wife of James Goff, of Barr township. The second marriage of Mr. Healey was solemnized in August, 1880, with Miss Sarah J. Nolan, also a native of Daviess



county, and this marriage has been blessed with six children, viz: Ellen and Agnes, both of whom have been confirmed by Bishop Chatard; Catherine, Alice, Louis S. and Jerome. The family are all faithful and devout members of St. Peter's church, and contribute freely of their means to its support.

In 1892 Mr. Healey took up his residence in Montgomery, at once engaged in the livery business, and now owns the leading establishment of the kind in the place. His barn is well kept and is stocked with eleven head of horses and vehicles of all descriptions, and his low charges, together with his courteous treatment of his patrons, have made him a favorite with the public.

In politics Mr. Healey is a democrat and cast his first presidential vote for George B. McClellan, in 1864. He served several terms as supervisor of Barr township and proved a most acceptable official. Although at his majority Mr. Healey had no capital, he has been so industrious and skillful in the management of his affairs that he now owns his residence and livery barn in Montgomery and eighty acres of farm land in Barr township. Socially, Mr. Healey and family are greatly respected, and as members of St. Peter's church enjoy the esteem of all the residents of the parish.

**T**HOMAS GEORGE HEDIAN, clerk of the police department, Indianapolis, Ind., is a native of Baltimore, Md., was born January 25, 1861, and received an academic education at St. Vincent's parochial school and at Calvert Hall academy, under the Christian Brotherhood; thence he went to Loyola college, under the jurisdiction of the Jesuits, and finished his scholastic training at Rock Hill college, at Ellicott City, Md., also under the Christian Brothers.

At twenty-one years of age, Mr. Hedian came to Indianapolis, and cast his first and all succeeding votes in this city. Here he has always held political positions—first, in the county committee rooms; he was afterward appointed time-keeper and attendant at the Insane hospital. In this position three years were spent, when he returned to the city and procured a position under County

Auditor Taggart as night clerk at the Union railway station. This was of short duration, however, and he again entered active politics, and was the first deputy county assessor in Marion county—the office being created in 1890. He resigned this position to accept a more lucrative one as secretary in the police department, being also the first to fill this position. This he resigned after three months, and was appointed deputy city clerk, a position he held until the expiration of the term, eighteen months. He was then appointed superintendent of sub-station A, of the Indianapolis post-office, but resigned this position to accept his present office under Superintendent of Police Quigley. His resignation from the post-office department was due to political influences, charging him with pernicious activity in politics, and he was appointed to his present position November 1, 1897. He is a member of the Gray-Hendricks club, a political organization.

The parents of our subject were Patrick J. and Mary (Maffei) Hedian. The father was a native of Ireland, and came to America when about nineteen years old. After being here six or eight years, he sent for his brothers—three of whom he assisted to the new world. The father was the originator and first publisher of the Catholic Mirror, of Baltimore, and some years later he took in two partners, who conducted the paper many years after his death. Patrick Hedian was recognized among intelligent Catholics as one of the firm supporters of the church in its earlier years in Baltimore, and died in that city in 1865. His widow still resides in Baltimore, her native city. She was born of Italian and Irish parentage, her father being a native of Italy; he came to Baltimore in his early life, and married in that city, where he was a merchant for many years. Of the immediate family of subject there were three sons beside himself—Alfred M., a member of the pork packing firm of Reiman, Doyle & Hedian; James Buchanan, an artist, and Edwin A., employed as assistant custodian of the post-office building, all in Baltimore. Alfred M. and Edwin A. are married; the others are bachelors. The father of our subject, in his life time, left sufficient evidence to justify the assertion that the family name in Ireland was formerly O'Hedian, and that he descended from the same line of ancestry as Bishop O'Hedian.

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Thomas G. Hedian is a gentleman of education and refinement, and is thoroughly capable and worthy to fill any position to which he may be called. He is an active member of St. John's church, under the pastorate of Rev. F. H. Gavisk.

**W**ILLIAM E. HEEB, the well-known furniture dealer of Connersville, was born in Falmouth, Ind., January 18, 1859, a son of William and Ellen (Moran) Heeb. He was educated in the public school of his native town, and at the age of seventeen years became a clerk in the First National bank, which position he held two years, and then went to Cincinnati and entered upon a course of study in a commercial college, from which he graduated in December, 1879. On his return he became bookkeeper for the Munke & Roberts Furniture company, with which he remained twelve years, when he and his brother, Philip Louis, formed a partnership for the purpose of dealing in household furniture, stoves, carpets, etc., etc., and are still doing a flourishing trade.

Mr. Heeb was united in marriage, November 25, 1892, by Father Rudolph, with Miss Julia Kehl, a native of Boonville, Mo., born September 5, 1862, a daughter of Anthony and Julia Kehl. This marriage has been blessed with two children—Ursula and Francis K. Mr. Heeb and family are members of St. Gabriel's church, are prominent in all works of charity, and freely contribute of their means to the general support of the church. Mr. Heeb is very popular as a business man, handles a stock worth \$6,000, and does the largest trade in his line of any firm in town. He and family are most highly esteemed by their neighbors and friends, who are both warm and numerous.

**D**ANIEL HEFFERNAN, a well-known and prosperous farmer of Daviess county, Ind., is a native of county Tipperary, Ireland, was born in 1815, was educated in a parochial school, and at the age of twenty years sailed from Dublin for New York, being

seven weeks and three days on the voyage. After passing a short time in New York city he came to Indiana and found employment on the Erie canal in Tippecanoe county.

In 1844 Mr. Heffernan was married, by Father Clark, the first resident priest of LaFayette, Tippecanoe county, to Miss Catherine Mehan, a native of county Cork, Ireland, but who, at the age of seven years, was brought to America by her parents, John and Ellen (Leonard) Mehan. The Mehan family, consisting of the parents and eight children, on arriving in America, located at Ogdensburg, N. Y., but shortly afterward came to Indiana and settled near Fort Wayne, but of this family Mrs. Heffernan is now the sole survivor. To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Heffernan have been born six sons and six daughters, of whom seven are still living, viz: Michael, whose life-sketch is given below; Ellen, wife of Edwin Carlin, a farmer and a member of St. Peter's congregation; Mary, wife of Robert Hunter, a farmer; William, an attorney at law, of Washington, Ind.; Thomas, on the homestead; Daniel and Catherine E., living with their parents—all of whom have been strictly reared in the Catholic faith.

Mr. and Mrs. Heffernan were always great admirers of the good pastor, Father Piers, and under him became warm advocates of temperance, and their home was his home, and some of the bishops, also, have frequently been entertained in the hospitable dwelling. When the Heffernan family settled in Daviess county, in 1852, St. Peter's congregation worshiped in an old frame church-building, but they have been largely instrumental toward the erection of the present substantial house of worship. Although Mr. Heffernan came to America a poor young man, he has, through his temperate course of life, his industry and economy, succeeded, with the aid of his worthy and loving wife, in securing a competency. He at one time owned at least 500 acres of good land in Daviess county, a portion of which he has donated to his children, and still retains a handsome homestead of 200 acres, three miles from Montgomery.

Politically, Mr. Heffernan cast his first presidential vote for William H. Harrison—"Old Tippecanoe"—but since the disintegration of the whig party has affiliated with the republicans.

He and wife are leading and respected members of St. Peter's congregation and are now passing their declining years in peace and comfort, honored by all who know them.

**M**ICHAEL HEFFERNAN, a highly respected resident of Daviess county, was born in Tippecanoe county, Ind., in 1845, a son of Daniel and Catherine (Mehan) Heffernan, parents of twelve children.

Michael Heffernan was about ten or twelve years of age when brought to Daviess county by his parents, and at the age of sixteen was confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais. He was educated in common and parochial schools, and his religious training was under the venerable Father Piers. He grew to manhood on the home farm, and was first wedded, by Father Piers, to Miss Bridget Eagan, to which union was born one child, Bridget, now the wife of Thomas Hart, a farmer of Washington, Ind. The second marriage of Mr. Heffernan was to Miss Elizabeth Mullen, a native of Philadelphia, Pa., born in September, 1848, and confirmed in her native city at an early age. This union has been blessed with six sons and one daughter, and of these five are still living, viz: William G., who was confirmed by Bishop Chatard, was educated in the common and parochial schools, and the normal school at Valparaiso, Ind., and is now a successful teacher in Daviess county; John C. is on the home farm; Michael A. is also at home; Joseph Leo is at school with the Sisters of Providence, and Anna May is the youngest of the family.

For about two years Mr. Heffernan conducted a hotel in Washington, and then, about 1876, came to his present place of 170 acres about one mile from St. Peter's church, and he also owns ninety-two acres east of Montgomery. In politics Mr. Heffernan is a republican, and is a strong supporter of temperance. The family are all devout members of St. Peter's church, in which they have placed a beautifully illustrated window as a memorial, and, it is needless to say, they all contribute freely in aid of the good work being done by Father Rowan, the pastor. Mr. and Mrs. Heffer-

nan are firm believers in the economy of insurance, Mr. Heffernan carrying \$2,000 in the Providence Savings company, and Mrs. Heffernan \$1,000 in the New York Mutual Life, while the farm property is also well covered. The family are highly respected within as well as without the pale of the church, and well deserve the esteem in which they are held.

**P**HILIP LOUIS HEEB, a native of Connersville, Ind., was born June 6, 1864, and is a younger brother of William E. Heeb, whose biography is given above, and in which the genealogy of the family is given in full.

Philip L., the subject of this memoir, attended the parochial school of his native city until he attained his fifteenth year, and then attended the public school until seventeen years old, when he became an employee of the Cooled & Morse Furniture company, with which he remained about eighteen months, following which he had further experience in the same line with Munke & Roberts, but after being in their employ a short time united in partnership with his brother William, with whom he has since remained.

The marriage of Mr. Heeb took place in Connersville on the 23d day of August, 1894, to Miss Anna Myers, who was born in Connersville, October 4, 1870, a daughter of Peter and Caroline (Balle) Myers, this union being now blessed with one child, named Loretta Mary. Mr. and Mrs. Heeb are devout and faithful members of St. Gabriel's church and are generous contributors to its support, and willing workers in the cause of charity. They own a pleasant home on West Fourth street, which is the abode both of domestic happiness and the entertainment of a large circle of sincere friends. Mr. Heeb also owns a half-interest in the Heeb building, a handsome business block on Eastern avenue, Connersville, which furnishes a large hall for public gatherings, lodge meetings, etc. Mr. Heeb is very prominent in local affairs and is regarded as one of the most useful and energetic residents of Connersville.

**J**UDGE DAVID J. HEFRON, circuit court judge of Daviess and Martin counties, Ind., was born in Jennings county, this state, February 18, 1842, a son of Lawrence and Bridget (Dixon) Hefron, natives of county Mayo, Ireland.

Lawrence Hefron and wife, parents of subject, came to the United States in 1832, and located in Erie, Pa., where the father was engaged in contracting on public works until 1846, when he brought his family to Daviess county, Ind., and here engaged in farming until his death, which took place in 1851, a member of St. Peter's congregation, Montgomery, and in political faith was a democrat. His widow died in November, 1898, aged ninety-four years, at the home of the judge, in Washington, Ind. Mr. and Mrs. Hefron had born to them a family of five children, viz: Stephen, who keeps a feed store in Washington; Catherine, wife of James M. Graves, of Montgomery, Ind.; John, deceased; David J., the subject of this article; and Lawrence, deceased. Mrs. Hefron was born in the Catholic faith, fully attended to her religious duties all her prolonged life, and died a member of St. Simon's congregation.

Judge David J. Hefron was educated preliminarily in the public schools of Daviess county, Ind., and later entered the State university, at Bloomington, from the law department of which he graduated in 1869, then read law, until 1870, with John H. O'Neill, when he was admitted to the bar, and in 1871 formed a partnership with Mr. O'Neill, of Washington, under the style of O'Neill & Hefron, which was prosperously conducted until 1885, when Mr. Hefron was appointed by Gov. Gray, judge of the circuit court of Daviess and Martin counties, and so competent did he prove to be in the performance of the duties of this responsible office, that he was elected to the office in 1886, without opposition, re-elected in 1892—again against no opponent. He had, however, long been popular with the democratic party as well as with the public in general, and in May, 1871, had been elected mayor of the city for two years, and re-elected in 1873, for two years longer. In 1876 he was elected to the state senate to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Senator Andrew Humphreys, and in 1878 was elected to the same office for a full term.

The marriage of Judge Hefron was solemnized in Washington, Ind., September 10, 1873, with Miss Florence A. Barton, a native of Washington, born in 1846, a daughter of Dr. G. G. and Ann (Murphy) Barton, the former a native of New York and the latter of Cork, Ireland. This marriage was blessed with four children, born in the following order: Josephine, Anna B., Helen A. and David J., Jr., all residing with their father, he having had the misfortune to have been bereft of his wife December 18, 1884. Mrs. Hefron was a pious Catholic, and was a member of all the charitable and social organizations of her church, and was a lady of most estimable character and womanly graces, whose loss to her husband and children is irretrievable. The judge is erudite, astute, impartial and dignified, as a jurist, and as a gentleman he is genial and charitable in disposition, and is possessed of all those finer qualities which are recognized in the man of culture the world over.

JAMES H. HEGARTY, proprietor of a very respectable business place at No. 832 Washington avenue, Indianapolis, is a native of county Donegal, Ireland, was born in 1864, and is a son of Patrick and Ann (McLaughlin) Hegarty, now deceased. The family comprised ten children, born and named in the following order: Edward, Patrick, Maurice, James H., Mary, Kate, Frank, Bridget, Ann and Maggie. Of these ten, Kate has been called to her eternal rest, Maurice and Mary still live in Ireland, and the remaining seven have their home in Indianapolis.

James H. Hegarty reached Indianapolis on Christmas day, 1882, having followed an elder brother, Patrick, who had preceded him one year. He here learned the boilermaker's trade in the Atlas works, followed the business five years, then acted as traveling salesman for four or five years, and about five years ago engaged in his present business, in company with his brother, Patrick. His younger brother, Frank, being engaged in the same line at Martindale avenue and Nineteenth street. Mr. Hegarty is a member of St. John's church and also a member of the Ancient



Order of Hibernians. In politics he is a democrat, is very active in his aid to his party, and is equally generous in his contributions to the support of his church.

**G**EORGE HEITZ, chief lineman of the Evansville & Terre Haute system of telegraphy, with his residence in Vincennes, Ind., was born in Alsace, France, July 19, 1841, a son of George and Christina (Beauregard) Heitz.

George Heitz, the father of subject, was a farmer in Alsace, and on coming to this country, accompanied by two of his sons, found employment at railroad work. In a short time after his arrival he was joined by his wife and son George, the subject of this sketch, then about eleven years of age. The children born to George and Christina Heitz numbered eleven, of whom two sons and two daughters are still living; of the seven deceased, all died young, with the exception of Nicholas, the eldest of the family, who was killed on the O. & M. railway, about 1858, he being then but a young man. Of the four living, Antony, the eldest, is yard-master for the B. & O. road at Vincennes; George, the next in order of birth, is the subject of this memoir; Rose, of Vincennes, is the widow of Michael Telkey, who was a railroad man and died about ten years ago, and Christina, the widow of Henry Bultman, is also a resident of Vincennes. The father of the family prospered after settling in Vincennes, became street commissioner, and died here at the age of fifty-six years, his wife surviving until she reached her seventy-third year. Both were devout Catholics, and were very highly respected within and without the church circle.

George Heitz, the subject, attended St. John's German Catholic school and received his first communion in his fourteenth year; he was then employed as messenger boy in the O. & M. railway service, being also assistant baggage master, and filled the position about three years. Next, for nearly thirty years, he was employed in building and repairing telegraph lines for the O. & M. road, and for nearly fourteen years has been chief lineman for the Evansville & Terre Haute line, virtually having charge of the building and repairing of all telegraph lines on this road.

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George Heitz was united in matrimony, November 13, 1862, in St. John's German Catholic church, by Rev. Father Engle, with Miss Magdalene Brosmear, who was born in Lancaster, Ohio, May 27, 1841, a daughter of Sebastian and Ursuline Brosmear, natives of Baden, Germany. To Mr. and Mrs. Heitz have been born five children, of whom Mary Helen, the eldest, is married to Edmund Brown, a machinist of Nantucket, Mass.; Frances is still under the parental roof; Theresa is a Sister of Providence, at St. Mary's of the Woods, and is known as Mary Euphrasia; Rose Agnes is still at home with her parents; Albert John, the youngest, now twenty-one years of age, is weighing inspector on the B. & O. R., but resides with his parents. The children were all confirmed in St. John's German Catholic church, and have all received most excellent educations. Mr. Heitz has led a life of sobriety and industry, has provided a good home for his family, and has won the esteem of the company for which he has served so faithfully, and also stands very high in the respect of his immediate neighbors and the church and society circles in which he and his family mingle.

REV. HENRY A. HELLHAKE, formerly pastor of St. Joachim's church, Lebanon, Boone county, Ind., was born in Quincy, Ill., February 9, 1849, and is a son of Casper and Gertrude (Heine) Hellhake, natives of Prussia, Germany. The father is still a resident of Quincy, and is engaged in the manufacture of cigars.

Rev. Henry A. attended the parochial schools of his native city until ten years of age, and then entered St. Francis college, of the same place, at which he pursued his classical studies until September, 1865, when he entered St. Francis seminary at Milwaukee, Wis., and finished his theological studies. He was ordained at Quincy, Ill., April 21, 1872, by the Right Rev. Bishop Peter Joseph Balthes, of the diocese of Alton, in which diocese he officiated until November, 1875, when he was transferred to the diocese of Fort Wayne, and stationed at Columbia City, Ind., did efficient work there until May, 1886, when he was placed in charge of the pastorate at Remington, Ind., and labored zealously until

August, 1893, the date of his transfer to Lebanon. His labors here were very acceptable to his flock, by whom he was greatly beloved, and were rewarded with the approbation of his superiors as well as that of his congregation. In August, 1898, Rev. H. A. Hellhake was transferred to Fowler, Benton county, Ind., and was succeeded by Rev. William S. Hogan, from St. Vincent de Paul's church, Logansport.

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**C**HARLES JAMES HELM, M. D., the well-known practitioner of surgery and medicine at Peru, Ind., is a native of this city, was born January 18, 1863, and is a son of John H. and Margaret (Ridenhour) Helm.

Dr. Charles J. Helm received his elementary instruction in a parochial school of Peru, which he attended one year; at the age of ten years he was sent to the St. Lawrence academy at Montreal, Canada, which he attended twelve months, and then went to Georgetown, D. C., studied six years in the famous Catholic college of that city, and graduated, in 1883, with the degree of A. B. He next entered the medical department of the renowned Harvard university, Boston, Mass., from which he graduated in 1887, and at once located in Peru, Ind., for the practice of his profession. A year later, however, he went to London, England, passed a year in St. Bartholomew hospital, taking a post-graduate degree, and then for three months attended the Polyclinic institute of New York, finally returning to Peru, where he has met with unequivocal success as a practitioner of the allopathic school.

Dr. Helm was joined in matrimony by Rev. Father Meissner, in Peru, October 7, 1891, with Miss Frances A. Carter, who was born in Petersburg, Ind., a daughter of J. O. Carter, a prominent citizen of that place. Dorothea A., the only child born to this union, was called from her earthly home in infancy, having been baptized in the Catholic faith.

Dr. Helm is a highly educated and accomplished gentleman, and as a physician has been fully qualified by a long course of training to successfully compete with the foremost practitioners of the science of medicine in the state of Indiana. He keeps well

abreast of all the advances made by modern scientists, and his constantly increasing patronage gives evidence that his skill and ability are fully recognized by the residents of Peru.

PATRICK S. O'ROURKE, of Fort Wayne, Ind., late superintendent of the Grand Rapids & Indiana railroad, whose untimely death occurred in this city February 12, 1898, was born in Newark, N. J., September 25, 1830, a son of Christopher and Ellen (Flanagan) O'Rourke, natives of county Kildare, Ireland, where their marriage took place in 1823, two years after which event they came to America. The father was a man of marked business ability and early became prominent as a railroad contractor, and assisted in building the Pittsburg, Wellsville & Cleveland road and also several miles of the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne & Chicago railroad, after which he engaged in farming near Mansfield, Ohio, and some years later removed to Fort Wayne, Ind., where his death took place in 1875, and where, also, his wife died six months later.

Patrick S. O'Rourke, in his youth, accompanied his parents in their various removals, but succeeded in securing a fair education, and, being of an ambitious disposition, early began his business career and naturally drifted into railroad work, which he began in 1856, taking a position as conductor on a construction train, then became conductor of a freight train the year following, and three years later was promoted to the position of conductor of a passenger train. In 1866 he became master of transportation on the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne & Chicago railroad, in 1871 was appointed assistant superintendent of the Lake Shore & Michigan road, and before the expiration of the year was made superintendent of the Grand Rapids & Indiana road, but these changes involved no shifting of employers—and thus for forty-three years he was identified with one system of railways, and died in this employ.

Mr. O'Rourke was twice married, and two children born to the first marriage still survive, viz: Mrs. John H. Cody and Miss Jane O'Rourke. His second wife, who bore the maiden name of



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Eliza Boulger, still survives him, and her children, who with her mourn his death, are William S. O'Rourke, the well-known attorney, of the firm of Robertson & O'Rourke; Edward O'Rourke, of Grand Rapids, Mich.; Mrs. Charles Keasey, of Kendallville; Mrs. J. W. Hunter, Mrs. William Wagoner and Miss Grace, all of this city, the latter living at home. Mr. O'Rourke was a sincere Catholic, was an organizer of St. Joseph's Catholic Benevolent society, and the American Sons of Columbus, and the auxiliary society, the Daughters of Isabella, and also was an organizer of the first branch of the Catholic Knights of America in Fort Wayne. In politics he was a democrat. His was a busy and energetic life, and the citizens of Fort Wayne will long lament his departure.

**W**ILLIAM STRAUGHAN O'ROURKE, a member of the legal firm of Robertson & O'Rourke, of Fort Wayne, was born in this city January 6, 1858, and is the fourth of the eight children born to Patrick S. and Eliza (Boulger) O'Rourke, natives, respectively, of New Jersey and Ireland. The father was for forty-three years in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad system, and for the last twenty-five years of his life was superintendent of the Grand Rapids & Indiana railroad at Fort Wayne, of which his son, William S., was appointed attorney in 1882.

William S. O'Rourke received his preliminary education in the public schools of Fort Wayne, and in 1875 he entered St. Vincent's college, in Westmoreland county, Pa., from which institution he was graduated in 1877. In the fall of that year he began the study of law in the office of Judge Allen Zollars, and in the fall of 1879 entered the law department of the university of Michigan, from which he graduated March 24, 1880, but had been admitted to the Allen county bar in 1879. In politics he is a democrat and a tariff reformer. In June, 1880, he was nominated for prosecuting attorney of the criminal court of Allen county, by the democratic party, was elected in the October following, and held the office until the abolishment of the criminal court, at the close of the term for which he was elected. At the time he was

elected S. M. Hench was prosecuting attorney, and refused to surrender the office, in consequence of which Mr. O'Rourke brought suit to obtain possession. Mr. Hench took a change of venue to Kosciusko county, where the case was tried before Judge Van-Long, now chief justice of the United States court of the territory of New Mexico, the contest resulting in favor of Mr. O'Rourke. His contestant appealed to the supreme court, where Mr. O'Rourke's title to the office was affirmed by Hon. George V. Howk, chief justice.

When Mr. O'Rourke first began the practice of law in Fort Wayne, he was alone until 1884, when he formed a partnership with Judge Chapin, which lasted four years. He was then alone again until 1889, when failing health necessitated a trip south, but in 1892 he returned to Fort Wayne and formed a partnership with Col. R. S. Robertson, and this firm now stands at the head of the profession in Fort Wayne and holds a most lucrative practice.

In 1893, Mr. O'Rourke was elected supreme secretary of the Catholic Knights of America, and filled the office until July 6, 1897. He is also a member of the American Sons of Columbus and of the St. Joseph Benevolent society, and socially, as well as fraternally, is extremely popular.

The congenial marriage of Mr. O'Rourke took place June 11, 1883, to Miss Margaret G. Garvey, a graduate of the university of Michigan, a native of Springfield, Mass., and a daughter of Patrick H. and Mary (Coughlin) Garvey, natives of Ireland and citizens of Massachusetts. This happy union has been blessed with four children, viz: Genevieve, Alan G., Donald H. and William S. The family are devoted Catholics, worship at the cathedral, contribute freely to the support of the church, and are among the most highly respected residents of the city of Fort Wayne.

REV. F. BERNARD HEICHELBECH, the eminent educator at Jasper, Ind., is a son of J. and Mary (Shubince) Heichelbech, and was born in Indiana July 20, 1867, was reared at home, and attended the common schools until he was thirteen years of



age. He then attended St. Meinrad college, and was ordained May 24, 1890, at St. Meinrad, was located at Jasper, and has here remained as prefect of the Jasper college, which was organized in 1890. He has fifty pupils, and teaches all branches that can be taught in a school or college of the capacity of that of which he is the head. His father is still living, but his mother passed away August 5, 1896. They were the parents of five children, and all are professors and teachers.

REV. ANTHONY HENNEBERGER, pastor of the church of the Sacred Heart, at Fowler, Benton county, Ind., was born in Luetz, Germany, April 2, 1859, a son of Francis and Lucy (Gilles) Henneberger. His early studies were followed in his native country until he was seventeen years of age, resulting in a good academical education. He then came to America and entered St. Meinrad's college, Spencer county, Ind., from which he was graduated in 1889, and on June 14th of the same year was ordained priest at Fort Wayne, Ind., by Bishop Dwenger. He was immediately assigned to his present parish of the Sacred Heart, which was originally known as St. John the Evangelist parish of Fowler, and where a church building had been erected in 1873, at a cost of \$600.

Here Father Henneberger has performed great and good work. He began the erection of a new brick church edifice, 46x112 feet, in May, 1895, and completed it May 14, 1896, at a cost of \$15,000, and has also established a school, which is being conducted by the Sisters of St. Francis, of LaFayette, Ind., and is attended by seventy pupils. The church has a membership of one hundred families, most of whom reside in the country, and of whom forty families are French Canadian, twenty German, and forty Irish—who are bound together, however, in the ties of peace, brotherly love and faith in the holy Catholic church. Father Henneberger has labored arduously and cheerfully, but finds a reward in the sincere affection of his people and the peace that ever rests in the hearts of those who perform good deeds.

**JAMES F. HENNESSY**, a well-known conductor on the Big Four railroad and residing at No. 1609 Fletcher avenue, Indianapolis, was born in Shelby county, Ind., December 5, 1859, a son of John and Hannah (Cavanaugh) Hennessy, of whom further mention is made on this page, and is the eldest of nine children born to his parents. He was educated in the public schools, and at the age of fifteen years began railroad life under his father, on the Big Four road, and has been in the employ of the same company ever since—a period of twenty-four years.

Mr. Hennessy was married, January 10, 1887, to Miss Rose Stapleton, a native of Nebraska, born September 10, 1868, being a daughter of John and Ellen (Freeland) Stapleton, natives of Illinois. The father of Mrs. Hennessy passed away a number of years ago, but her mother is still living, as is also a daughter, Mrs. Laura Holtam, who is younger than her sister, Mrs. Hennessy, and who was educated at the Sisters' school in Lockport, Ill. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Hennessy has been blessed with three children, of whom Ursula, born September 8, 1890, and James Leo, March 24, 1896, are still living; Joseph died in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Hennessy, during the first year of their married life, resided in Cincinnati, Ohio, but have been residents of St. Patrick's parish, Indianapolis, since 1888, paying their devotions under Rev. D. O'Donaghue, and own their comfortable home on Fletcher avenue. Mr. Hennessy is a member of Capital council, No. 276, Young Men's institute, and he and wife are constant in their attendance at St. Patrick's church, and are numbered among the most esteemed residents of the parish.

**JOHN HENNESSY**, now deceased, but at one time a leading pioneer Catholic citizen of Indianapolis, was born in the parish of Tulle, county Clare, Ireland, in 1821, a son of Patrick Hennessy, who had married a Miss Carmody. John Hennessy was the youngest of eleven children born to his parents, and at the age of twenty-four years came to America, in company with four sisters—the other six, one brother and five sisters, dying in Ireland. Mr.

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Hennessy, on coming to America, landed in the city of New York, found employment at railroad work in the east until 1852, when he came to Indianapolis and was employed by what is now popularly called the Big Four railroad, with which he was connected for thirty-five years, or until 1887, when he retired from active life.

The marriage of Mr. Hennessy took place at Shelbyville, Ind., in the early part of 1858, to Miss Hannah Cavanaugh, a native of New York city, and of Irish parentage. When but four years old Hannah Cavanaugh lost her parents, who died sincere Catholics, and at the age of thirteen years was brought to Indiana by an aunt. To the marriage of John and Hannah Hennessy were born nine children, of whom five are still living, viz: James F., Joseph A., Michael E., Thomas G. and Mary; one child, John P., died in September, 1890, in his eighteenth year, and the other three died in infancy.

John Hennessy was always and very deservedly regarded as one of the most useful citizens of Indianapolis, and was an example of sobriety and industry to the rising generation of his parish, and as an especial guide and monitor over his own children, who have survived to honor his name and bless his memory. His death took place February 3, 1894, and the loss of no man in the parish was more deeply deplored. His widow resides in the old home, at No. 215 East Merrill street, and here the son, Michael E., although the third-born of the family, keeps a general supervision over the household, and is fast coming into notice as one of the rising young men of Indianapolis.

**A**RNOLD HERMAN HERBERT, a highly respected business man of LaFayette, Ind., and a prominent Catholic, was born in this city January 4, 1859, a son of Theodore and Gertrude (Pott) Herbert, natives of Prussia, where the Herbert family once owned part of the ground now occupied by the celebrated Krupp gun works.

Theodore Herbert, when still a young man, came to the United States in 1837, and was first married, at Fort Wayne, Ind.;

in 1840 he came to LaFayette and established a brewery, of which the Thieme & Wagner brewery is the outgrowth, Mr. Herbert selling out to that company and becoming interested in the Newman & Boer Brewing company, from which he retired to private life. His first wife died in Fort Wayne, leaving four children, of whom two still survive—Conrad, of LaFayette, and Theodore, who keeps a café in San Francisco, Cal. The second marriage of Theodore Herbert took place in LaFayette to Mrs. Gertrude Weible, née Pott, who had borne her first husband six children, all of whom, with their father, died of cholera in 1848. To the second marriage of Theodore Herbert were born five children, in the following order: Arnold H., the subject of this sketch; Joseph, of Oakland, Cal.; Mary, wife of Henry Klumpe, of LaFayette; Ida, and Albert of San Francisco, Cal. The parents of this family were called from earth in 1885, having been life-long members of the Roman Catholic church.

Arnold H. Herbert, our subject, was educated in the parochial schools of LaFayette, and his first business effort was made at painting in a machine shop; later he became a clerk in a bookstore, where he remained until 1893, when he formed a partnership with John Kimmell, under the firm name of Kimmell & Herbert, and from that time until the present has carried on a wholesale and retail book, stationery and wall paper trade, carrying the best line of these articles to be found in Tippecanoe county.

The marriage of Mr. Herbert took place June 5, 1884, to Miss Lena Bruns, a native of LaFayette and a daughter of Herman Bruns, a well-known citizen. The family have a most pleasant home on Thirteenth street, between North and Brown streets, where they enjoy the esteem of a large circle of social acquaintances. Mr. Herbert is a Knight of St. Paul and has been commander of his company for sixteen consecutive years, and is also a member of the C. B. L. In politics he is a democrat, as was his father before him, and was his party's candidate for the office of county treasurer in 1890, but, the county being overwhelmingly republican, he met with defeat, after reducing the usual majority of the latter by several hundred votes—a fact in itself that shows the high esteem in which he is held by the general public.

**J**OSEPH HERBIG, a prominent resident of Jasper, Dubois county, Ind., is a son of Tobias and Mary (Lambert) Herbig, the former of whom died July 2, 1896. Joseph Herbig was born November 30, 1861, in Dubois county, attended the common schools, and at the age of thirteen years began the liquor business in Jasper, and continued in that until 1897, when he leased his establishment and is now leading a retired life.

Joseph Herbig was married February 7, 1888, to Miss Katie Rutker, of Dubois county, a daughter of Fred and Anna (Niecomb) Rutker, and their only child, Frank, was nine years of age August 29, 1898. Mr. and Mrs. Herbig are members of the St. Joseph church, at Jasper. In politics Mr. Herbig is a democrat and cast his first vote for Grover Cleveland. He has made a success in life and has been able to retire from its activities, cares and asperities at an unusually early age.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbig were confirmed by Bishop Chatard. The mother of Mr. Herbig resides with him, but Mrs. Herbig's parents are both deceased.

**H**ENRY P. HERR, a native of Washington, Daviess county, Ind., was born May 13, 1874, and is the only child of Henry and Mary E. (Nephesy) Herr, the former of whom was a native of Germany and died in Washington the same year in which subject was born; the latter is a native of America, of Irish parentage, is now re-married and resides in Washington, Ind. The father was an earnest Catholic in religion and in politics was a democrat.

Henry P. Herr attended the parochial school until nine years old, then the common school until thirteen, and then returned to the parochial school, which he quit at the age of seventeen, being thus quite well educated. He learned the boilermaker's trade, which he followed until January, 1897, when he bought a half-interest in the boot and shoe establishment owned by his step-father, G. W. Osman. The firm carries an extensive stock of fine footwear and also handles furs. The family all belong to St. Simon's parish, and Mr. Herr is also a member of the Young Men's institute. He is a young man of enterprise and honesty, has a

good start in business, and has before him a promising future. The mother of subject, by her marriage with G. W. Osman, has seven children.

AUGUST HERZOG, an active business man of Mishawaka, Ind., is a native of the grand duchy of Baden, and was born August 21, 1835, a son of Sebastian and Elizabeth (Kastner) Herzog, who were born in 1809 and 1819 respectively, and were married in 1833, the result of the union being three children, viz: August, Anthony and Techla (wife of Frank Yost), all residents of Mishawaka, Ind. The father was a stonemason by trade and a highly respected workingman, and died in the Catholic faith in 1845, his widow surviving until 1876, when she was called away in the same faith, the mortal remains of both being laid side by side in the cemetery of their native village.

August Herzog attended a parochial school in his native village until fourteen years of age, and was then apprenticed to shoemaking, serving five years, then, at the age of nineteen, accompanied by his aunt Techla, he came to America, landing in New York city April 12, 1854, after an ocean voyage lasting forty-two days. After passing six months in New York, Mr. Herzog came west, and for two and a half years lived in Massillon, Ohio, whence he came March 1, 1857, to Mishawaka, here worked as a journeyman for five years, in 1862 became the junior member of the firm of Godman & Co., and in 1877 began business on his sole account, now carrying a complete line of boots, shoes and gents' furnishing goods, and doing the best trade in this line of any house in Mishawaka.

The marriage of Mr. Herzog was solemnized in Mishawaka by Father Mager, August 30, 1857, with Miss Balbena Kotez, who has blessed him with ten children, the sons—Frank J., Henry, August H., John A. and August Webber—having all served, at different times as altar boys in St. Joseph's church, of which church Mr. and Mrs. Herzog have been members of the choir for thirty-eight years. Mr. Herzog was also a charter member of St. Joseph's Benevolent society, which was organized in 1867, with twenty-eight members, of whom there are now but seven survivors

of the original charter number, but the society has, nevertheless, increased and multiplied, and is now in a most flourishing condition, and of this he has been president for twenty-one years. He is also a member of the Catholic Knights of America, and socially he and family move in the best circles of Mishawaka.

REV. BASIL HEUSLER, O. S. B., pastor of St. Anthony's church, Dubois county, Ind., is a native of the canton of Berne, Switzerland, and was born December 25, 1860. He attended the parochial schools of his native canton from his sixth until his tenth year, when he came to the United States. Here he attended the parochial schools at Milwaukee, Wis., until he entered, in 1872, St. Lawrence college, at Mount Calvary, Fond du Lac county, under charge of the Capuchin Fathers. In 1877 he entered the order of St. Benedict at St. Meinrad's, Spencer county, Ind., where he finished his philosophical and theological studies and where he was ordained priest, May 20, 1883, by Bishop Chataud. From 1883 until 1885 he was director of St. Meinrad's college, and September 1, of the latter year, entered upon his pastorate of St. Anthony's, the duties of which position he has ably and zealously filled until the present time.

Father Heusler is dearly beloved by his parishioners, for whom he has done so much, and his affable and genial disposition has won for him hundreds of friends outside his immediate congregation.

An account of his fruitful and earnest labors for the past thirteen years will be found in detail in the sketch of St. Anthony's church, given on another page.

MRS. ANNE HICKEY, of Aurora, Ind., is the widow of William Hickey, who was born in Ireland in 1812, was a carpenter by trade, and died July 12, 1873. He came to the United States in 1847, landing in New York, then went to Cincinnati, Ohio, and remained a short time; then came to Aurora and worked at his

trade until he enlisted in the Fifty-second Indiana volunteer infantry. He served in the battle of Corinth, Miss., and in the battle of Fort Donelson; was shot in the hip and came home in 1864, but never recovered from his wound. He had married, February 15, 1844, Miss Anne Dowling, who was born on the 24th of July, 1824, a daughter of Dennis Dowling, of Ireland. This union was blessed with six children, four of whom are still living, viz: Richard, Marguerite, Catherine (married to G. Hasting, of Pleasant Ridge, Ind.) and Mary, now Mrs. Giblin, of Moore's Hill, Ind. All of the children are Catholics, and are members of St. Mary's church. Mrs. Hickey lives at the old homestead that she first occupied when she arrived in Aurora, is now seventy-three years of age and is one of the most respected residents of the town.

**M**ICHAEL HIGGINS, retired contractor, was born in county Mayo, Ireland, in April, 1827; and is a son of John and Bridget (Waldron) Higgins, both of whom were natives of the same county, and who were the parents of three sons. These sons were Thomas, the eldest, who died in Indianapolis in April, 1875, leaving a family of two sons, and three daughters: Patrick, who enlisted in company E, Ninety-third Indiana volunteer infantry, and lost his life in the Civil war, and Michael, the subject of this sketch. Patrick never married, and his body lies buried in the National cemetery at Memphis, Tenn. The mother of these three sons died when Michael was two years old, and the father died in 1852, both in Ireland, where they await the resurrection morn.

Michael Higgins, the subject of this sketch, received his education in the common schools, and upon his father's death, coming into the possession of the old homestead, he sold his property for enough money to bring him to the United States, leaving his wife and children behind until such time as he should have saved enough of his earnings to send for them. He came to this country in 1852, locating at Edinburg, Ind., where twenty years of his life were spent, and where he was engaged in contracting. In 1853 he sent for his family, they joining him in the same year. His wife,



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who was Bridget Waldron, was a native of county Mayo, was married to Mr. Higgins in 1850, and after a happy life in this country of forty-seven and a half years, died in Indianapolis in August, 1897. She and her husband were the parents of five children that attained mature years, these five being Thomas, who died in New York, in July, 1891, a plumber and gas fitter by trade; Maria, now Mrs. Panse, who resides in Indianapolis; John M., who is a member of the city council from the Fifteenth ward; Ella E., unmarried, residing with her father, and Annie C., who shares the duties of housekeeping since her mother's death, with her sister, Ella E. All of the children that are living own real estate in Indianapolis, purchased through their own industry and frugality. Both the Higgins family and the Waldron family were prominent members of the Catholic church in Ireland, both having representatives in the clergy there, and being also represented in the clergy in the United States, one of them being educated for the clergy at Mount St. Mary's, Emmettsburg, Md.

Mr. Higgins, as has been already intimated, came to this country a poor man, but, having spent his productive years in profitable, industrious labor, he is now in comfortable circumstances, and is a bright, intelligent old gentleman of three score and ten. During his earlier years he acquired the habit of drinking, but twenty-five years ago he decided to abstain altogether from the pleasures of the flowing bowl. He now estimates that by so doing he has saved at least in money, to say nothing of health and standing in society, \$100 per year. About twenty years ago he united with St. Patrick's total abstinence society and has ever since retained his membership, faithful to the pledge. Contrary to the usual custom of his countrymen, he has never used tobacco, and hence to apply the term of a "clay pipe" to him would be a palpable error, and the term would be an entire misnomer. Thus he has in these two respects at least set an excellent example for his children and for the young in general. He was one of the organizers and a charter member of branch No. 22, Catholic Knights of America, and has been president and secretary thereof many times, and has been almost continually in office for the last twenty years. He assisted in building the first Catholic church in Edinburg, and

while living in that place was always a liberal contributor to its support. On locating in Indianapolis he promptly joined St. John's church and there the family still worship. Mrs. Higgins was a most devout Catholic, loved and revered by all that knew her, and for months prior to her death the Rev. Father Gavisk visited her at her home and there administered the sacrament each week.

Mr. Higgins is now interested in the teaming business in Indianapolis, owning at present three drays, each managed by a man in his employ, he having a yearly contract with a large wholesale house in the city to do their draying, this contract having been in existence for the last sixteen years. Politically Mr. Higgins is a democrat, and has voted with that party for the past forty years, but he has never sought official station, being content to confine his efforts to the management of his own private business, which he has been able to cause to bring him in a reward commensurate with the efforts put forth, which might not have been the case in the political field.

**J**OHNS HINSBERGER, a substantial farmer of Penn township, St. Joseph county, Ind., is a native of Germany, and was born March 31, 1852, a son of Andrew and Elizabeth (Klaer) Hinsberger, both of whom were born in the same country—the father in 1820 and the mother in 1824—and were married in 1851.

Andrew Hinsberger was a farmer and weaver, and brought his wife and child to America in 1854. He located in Penn township, securing a lease of the Simon Ward farm for twenty-four years, to the cultivation of which he diligently applied himself and accumulated by his industry sufficient means to purchase a fine farm of 180 acres, which he has carefully improved, and on which he and his family all reside, the surviving children being six in number, viz: Andrew, John, Lizzie, Maggie, Mary and Veronica; a seventh, named Jacob, is deceased, and his body is interred in the consecrated ground of St. Joseph cemetery in Mishawaka. The surviving children, with their parents, are all devout members of the

Catholic church, to the support of which they contribute very liberally.

John Hinsberger, whose name opens this biographical sketch, was but two years of age when brought to America by his parents. He first attended the district school of his neighborhood, and later the parochial school of Mishawaka, acquiring a very fair English education. Reared to manhood under his father's supervision, he became an expert agriculturist, and now has the superintendence of the home place. He is industrious, temperate and skillful as a farmer, and well deserves the high esteem in which he is held by his neighbors and the community at large of Penn township.

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ALBERT HITZELBERGER, restaurant keeper and manufacturer of fine wines, at No. 1134 Roache street, Indianapolis, is a native of Alsace, France, and was born April 1, 1855, a son of George and Helen Hitzelberger, natives of the same country.

George Hitzelberger was a soldier in the French army and died from the effects of a wound received in battle in Algiers (Africa) when the subject of this biography was but two years old, leaving his widow with two children—Albert and a sister. The latter, Mrs. Wersinger, died in her native country, in the city of Mulhausen, where the mother also passed away, leaving Albert the only living representative of the Hitzelberger family. After serving a term as a volunteer in the French army, Albert came to America in 1874, and at once located in Indianapolis, where he has ever since been engaged in his present business.

Mr. Hitzelberger was united in marriage, in the spring of 1879, at St. Mary's church, by the Rev. Father Scheideler, to Miss Anna Mercklin, who was born near the river Rhine, in Baden, Germany, and to this union have been born eight children, viz: Clara, George, Amelia, Albert, Gustave, Anna, Helen and Matilda. Mr. and Mrs. Hitzelberger have together conducted their restaurant for about eighteen years, which is famous for the excellence of its viands and Mrs. Hitzelberger's culinary skill. The place is a favorite resort of bicycle parties and others who appreciate the

good things of this life. Mr. Hitzelberger also manufactures wine of an excellent quality, his grapes being shipped direct from Kelly's island, Ohio.

The family are members of St. Mary's church, and Mr. Hitzelberger is a member of the Catholic Knights of America and of the French society. A frugal, industrious, upright citizen, Mr. Hitzelberger's faithful efforts to properly rear and educate his large family of children are worthy of all praise.

The parents of Mrs. Hitzelberger were Anton and Mary Eva (Zeizer) Mercklin, natives of Baden, Germany. Her father was a contractor and commission merchant on the river Rhine, in which he met with an accidental death by drowning in 1860. His widow later brought her family to America, and here died in March, 1894, her remains being interred in Holy Cross cemetery. Three sisters and one brother of Mrs. Hitzelberger reside in Indianapolis, viz: Mrs. Charles Schuler, Mrs. Joseph Ludwick, Mrs. Peter Schultz, and Frank Mercklin, all members of the church of the Sacred Heart; one brother, Herman, still has his home in the mother country.

**J**OSEPH HOCK, member of the gents' furnishing firm of Newman, Hock & Co., Shelbyville, Ind., and an ex-soldier of the Civil war, was born in Scioto county, Ohio, July 24, 1835, a son of Frank J. and Elizabeth (Bughard) Hock.

He attended public school until twelve years of age, remained with his parents until twenty-one years old, and then learned engineering in a iron furnace in Scioto county, where he remained until 1860, when he went to Ironton, Lawrence county, Ohio, where he worked in a stove foundry until he enlisted, in 1863, in company I, One Hundred and Fortieth Ohio volunteer infantry, for three years or during the war, but on account of disability was honorably discharged in September, 1864, having made an excellent record and now receiving a pension of \$8 per month on account of his injuries. He then worked in the stove foundry until 1875, then engaged in farming in Scioto county until 1877, when he removed to Covington, Ky., and worked in a foundry

until 1881, when he re-engaged in farming, but sold his place in 1892 and removed to Indianapolis, Ind., where he resided until 1893, and then came to Shelbyville, which has since been his home and where he owns a handsome residence.

The marriage of Mr. Hock took place in Franklin county, Ind., July 21, 1859, to Miss Elizabeth Biltz, a native of Germany, and to this union have been born seven children, viz: Elizabeth, wife of John H. Hirshauer, of Shelby county, Ind.; Mary, wife of Jacob Meehling; Frank, deceased; George H.; John, deceased; Annie, deceased; and Eva, wife of Harry Dipple, of Indianapolis. Mr. and Mrs. Hock are members of St. Joseph church, to the support of which they liberally contribute, and their social standing is with the most respectable families of Shelbyville.

**A**NTHONY HIRSCH, a respected citizen of Indianapolis, who lives at No. 1111 South Harlan street, has been a resident of this city since June, 1886, and of St. Patrick's parish since 1894, but before that date had attended St. Mary's church. He was born in Bavaria, Germany, January 17, 1865, the village of Lau-bach being the place of his birth. His parents, Joseph and Walburga Hirsch, are still living in Germany.

Anthony Hirsch, the subject of this sketch, is the only son now living, though there was one other, younger than him, that died in his early youth. The only daughter of the family, named Eva, is still living in Germany. On May 16, 1886, Anthony Hirsch left the parental home and came to the United States, landing in Baltimore, Md., and coming directly to Indianapolis, which city has since been his home. He was married, June 12, 1894, in St. Patrick's church, by Rev. Father O'Donaghue, to Miss Mary Agnes Gehrlieh, daughter of Jacob and Frances Gehrlieh, of Indianapolis, and to this marriage there has been born one daughter, Evelyn Catherine Hirsch, born May 23, 1896. Mr. Hirsch is an iron molder by trade and occupation, and he and his wife are highly esteemed members of St. Patrick's church. They own a pleasant home at the location given, which Mr. Hirsch built in 1894, prior to his marriage.

REV. L. RAPHAEL PAQUET, pastor of St. Rose of Lima church, at Monroeville, Allen county, Ind., is a son of Willford and Lucie (Lapointe) Paquet, and was born in Canada April 24, 1865, and after the usual preparatory educational course was admitted to the Quebec seminary, and later completed his studies at Kankakee, Ill., where he was ordained by Bishop Otto Zardetti for the diocese of New Orleans, and said his first mass at Chebanse, June 25, 1893, whence he was sent to New Orleans, La., where he remained two years and ministered to a negro congregation at Bayou Lacomb, and was then appointed to his present pastorate in Monroeville, of which he took charge January 8, 1896. Here he ministers to a congregation comprising sixty families, has a neat residence and has succeeded in raising funds for the laying of a foundation for a school-house, which, there is every reason to believe, will be completed in the near future. Father Paquet has been very energetic in his work for the advancement of the temporal as well as spiritual welfare of his congregation, and his efforts have been duly appreciated by his superiors as well as by the flock itself, by whom he is dearly beloved and revered as a talented, conscientious and faithful pastor.

GEORGE VALENTINE HOCK, son of Joseph and Elizabeth (Biltz) Hock, was born in Ironton, Lawrence county, Ohio, December 8, 1870, and was there baptized by Father Fischer. His first communion was administered at Wheelersburg, Scioto county, Ohio, by Father Reider, in 1882, up to which time he had attended a parochial school in Covington, Ky.

After leaving school he assisted his father on the home farm until 1893, when the family came to Shelbyville, and the subject engaged in the gents' furnishing business, in company with John Newman, under the firm name of Newman & Hock; in 1896 the style was changed to that of Newman, Hock & Co., through the admission of Joseph Hock as a partner, although the business is still managed by the two original founders. The firm carry a stock of goods valued at \$5,000, and this is one of the best assorted and





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most varied in Shelby county. Mr. Hock is a member of uniform rank, Knights of St. John, William Tell commandery, No. 178, and also of St. Joseph's congregation. As a salesman, Mr. Hock has few equals, and his pleasant manners make him a great favorite with the younger members of Shelbyville society.

Mr. Hock was married September 22, 1897, to Minnie Elizabeth Reipenhoff, the ceremony being performed by Father Gable at St. Peter's church, Wheelersburg, Scioto county, Ohio, in which county Mrs. Hock was born July 4, 1871.

JACOB A. HOFFMAN, dealer in machinery, farm implements, and doing repair work in general, in Ferdinand, Dubois county, Ind., is a son of Valentine and Marguerite (Dourson) Hoffman. He was born February 21, 1862, and was reared in and came from Ohio when nine years old. His mother died in June, 1896; his father still lives in Dubois county, aged sixty.

Jacob A. Hoffman was educated in the common schools, and at the age of eighteen years learned to be a mechanic, and started in business in Ferdinand, in 1890, for himself, and now does a business reaching \$25,000 per annum. He was married by Father Eberhardt, September 23, 1890, to Miss Clara Wagner, a daughter of Henry Wagner, Jr., of Dubois county, and to this union have been born three children: Johanna M., Gusta K. and Herbert A. The family belong to St. Ferdinand's church, and in politics Mr. Hoffman is a democrat. He is a reliable, industrious citizen, and is greatly respected for his unswerving integrity.

JACOB J. HOFFMAN, one of the best-known business men of Elkhart, was born in Pulaski county, Ind., May 28, 1851, a son of John and Mary (Rothermel) Hoffman, both natives of Germany, who came to the United States in 1833, located in Ohio, and in 1840 moved to Pulaski county, Ind., where the father was successfully engaged in farming until 1861, when he retired to

Winamac and in 1866 moved to Logansport, where he passed the remainder of his life, his death taking place July 4, 1872, and that of his wife July 11, 1883, both being devout Catholics.

Jacob J. Hoffman, the youngest in a family of ten children, was educated in the parochial and public schools, and Hall's Business college, until nineteen years of age, when he entered a grocery store as clerk, in which he remained until 1875, thoroughly mastering the business; he and John A. Hoffman, a brother, then opened a grocery on their own account, but at the close of a year our subject withdrew and went to Garrett, Dekalb county, where he was engaged in business in the fall of 1879, when he came to Elkhart and opened a retail store, and also opened a store in Goshen, Elkhart county, managing the latter nine years and conducting his Elkhart store until 1893, when he disposed of it and engaged in the jobbing trade. January 1, 1896, he admitted his two sons, Jacob J. and Frank M., as partners, and that year transacted a business amounting to \$250,000.

The marriage of Jacob J. Hoffman was solemnized in Logansport, May 21, 1873, with Miss Julia Moriarty, who was born in Urbana, Ohio, March 25, 1855, and this union has been blessed with five children, viz: Jacob J., Frank M., Mamie, John (deceased) and Carl. The family are all members of St. Vincent church, and of the Catholic Benevolent legion, of which Mr. Hoffman was the first state president, holding the office two years. The family is one of the most highly respected in Elkhart, and as a business man Mr. Hoffman is unequalled in any part of the state.

**D**ENNIS HOGAN, senior of the firm of Hogan & Sons, shoe manufacturers at Aurora, Ind., is a son of John and Marguerite (Rian) Hogan, both now deceased.

Dennis Hogan was born in King's county, Ireland, and came to America in 1847, landing in New York. He attended the Rev. Wood's (late Bishop Wood) schools of Philadelphia, and at the age of twenty years learned his present business in Cincinnati, Ohio, where for some years he was engaged in the trade on his own

account. In 1890 he engaged in shoe manufacturing with his two sons, Edward and Charles, at Aurora, and put in a plant with a capacity of 8,000 pairs per week, which was built in 1895. They employ some eighty people with a weekly pay roll of \$600 to \$800.

Mr. Hogan was married May 7, 1862, to Miss Eliza Byrne, a daughter of Edward Byrne, of Cincinnati (Bishop Gilmore, of St. Patrick's, performing the ceremony). To this happy union have been born thirteen children, ten of whom are still living, viz: Marguerite, Charles J., Edward W., Harry L., John, Kittie B., Raymond, Flora and Irene M. and Clara M. (twins). All but two of this family were baptized in St. Edward's at Cincinnati, and all are now members of St. Mary's church at Aurora. The twins were baptized in the Cutter and Liberty Polish church, for fear of dying, as no English-speaking priest was to be had. Mr. Hogan and his two sons, Charles J. and Edward W., are democrats in politics, and the family is one of the most respected in Aurora.

THOMAS W. HOGAN, wholesale druggist of LaFayette, is a native of this city, was born January 11, 1850, and is a son of James and Ellen (McCardle) Hogan, natives, respectively, of county Limerick and county Mayo, Ireland, but who came to America when young, and were married in LaFayette in 1849, becoming the parents of seven children. The father was a grain buyer for eastern firms, and died August 25, 1865; the mother survived until 1892. Both were devout Catholics and were among the most respected of the residents of LaFayette.

Thomas W. Hogan, the eldest of this family of seven, was educated in the public schools, and at the age of fifteen years was employed as a clerk in the drug store of McFarland & Co., with whom he remained until 1866; he then entered the drug store of Tinney, Moore & Co., and acted as clerk until 1879, when he succeeded to H. C. Tinney's interest in the business, and the firm name was known as H. C. Tinney & Co., limited; in 1887, the firm name became Hogan & Johnson, and it now conducts the most extensive wholesale drug trade done in Tippecanoe county.

The marriage of Mr. Hogan was celebrated at LaFayette, September 18, 1877, the bride being Miss Anna Shaughnessy, who was born in Fountain county, Ind., December 15, 1857, a daughter of Dennis and Bridget (Ryan) Shaughnessy, who were natives, respectively, of county Limerick and county Tipperary, Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Hogan have been blessed with four children, viz: John T., a graduate in pharmacy; Alice M., a student in music; William J. and Harriet, both now receiving collegiate educations. The family are all members of St. Mary's church and faithful to their church duties and liberal in their contributions to the support of the church proper. Mr. Hogan is very active in his efforts to promote the business and societary interests of LaFayette, and finds time to spare from his extensive business duties to act as vice-president of and director in the Young Men's Building & Loan association; to attend to his duties as a charter member of the Young Men's Hibernian society, organized in 1870; also as a member of the Marquette club and the LaFayette club; the local lodge of the Order of Elks; the Catholic Benevolent legion, and the Indiana Traveling Salesmen's association, as well as to act as church trustee, under Rev. Father Walters. In politics he is a democrat, and he never fails to make his influence felt at the polls. The family is recognized as among the best in LaFayette, and are equally esteemed within and without the pale of the Catholic church.

**M**ICHAEL H. HOGAN, prominent as a business man and one of the old residents of Vincennes, was born in Barrenete, county Limerick, Ireland, April 12, 1828, and is the eldest of a family of five brothers and two sisters, and the only representative of the family in America. The brothers and sisters are Mrs. Mary A. Blackwell, of county Limerick; Bridget A., deceased; John James, still in the parental home, although some of his sons are members of the Chicago, Ills., police force; Cornelius Charles, William W. and Thomas J. are in Australia, and Patrick J. is a salesman in the city of Limerick for an English firm.

Mr. Hogan received a good common-school education, and on

May 1, 1856, was married, in chapel Brady, county Limerick, to Miss Mary Ann Cooney, a native of the same parish with himself. This chapel in later years was converted to other uses, and Mr. Hogan has had the pleasure, since his arrival in America, of contributing from his means to the erection of a new chapel in the same parish. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Hogan has been blessed with ten children, of whom three were born in Ireland and one on ship-board on the voyage to America, and further mention of them all, with the exception of three deceased, will be made in a coming paragraph.

January 12, 1863, Mr. Hogan, with his wife and four children, landed in America, and notwithstanding the difficulty of travel at that day, reached Vincennes, Ind., and at the close of the month in which he left Ireland drew seven days' pay as an employee of the O. & M. Railroad company. He continued in the employ of this company thirty consecutive years, when he withdrew and engaged in his present business. During six of these thirty years he resided in Washington, Daviess county, Ind., at the time the shops of the O. & M. company were removed to that town; but Vincennes seemed to be more homelike to himself and family, so he has made this city his permanent place of residence. Mr. Hogan now owns two well-ordered places—one in Vincennes and one in Washington—besides other valuable property in both cities.

Mr. Hogan has been a member of St. Francis Xavier Catholic congregation for the past thirty-five years, and is faithful to his religious duties and liberal in his contributions to the support of his church. In politics he has always been a democrat since becoming naturalized, was a member of the city council for four years, from 1886 to 1890, and during the recent presidential campaign was an enthusiastic supporter of the free-silver doctrine.

Of the seven surviving children born to Mr. and Mrs. Hogan, Mary A., the eldest, is the wife of Mr. Besler, of Montana; Hugh M. is an engineer in New Mexico; Edward Thomas has returned to Ireland, where he is employed as a salesman; Katherine is married to William Fouch, a railroad employee in Washington, Ind.; James P. has charge of his father's place of business in Washington, Ind.; William J. is employed by his father in Vin-

centes; and Dora A. is the wife of W. Perkins, of Washington, Ind. Mr. Hogan has been a hard-working and economical, though generous-hearted citizen, and well deserves the respect in which he is held by all who know him.

**PATRICK JOSEPH HOGAN**, vice-president and treasurer of the C. L. Braman company, importers and jobbers of gents' furnishing goods, notions and fancy dry goods, etc., was born in Ballychill, two and a half miles from Thurles, county Tipperary, Ireland, January, 1852, and is the son of Thomas Hogan, an officer of the Royal Irish constabulary, Ireland, and Ann Manning Hogan, both parents deceased.

The subject was reared to early manhood in the country of his birth and there received a good education in the Christian Brothers' school. In 1871 he came to the United States, being the first of his immediate family to become a citizen of this country, and after spending some time in the city of New York, came west, stopping temporarily in Jackson county, Ohio, and Cincinnati, Indianapolis, and Crawfordsville. In 1873 he accepted a clerkship with a boot and shoe firm in Terre Haute, and was thus engaged four years, at the end of which time he made a six months' tour of Europe, traveling over the greater part of the continent, and re-visiting the scenes of his boyhood in the Emerald isle. Returning to the United States in 1877, Mr. Hogan again engaged in the shoe business, which he continued with his former employers until the following year, when he accepted a position with the well-known clothing house, the Owen Pixley company, in Indianapolis, with which he remained three years, the first two as salesman and the last as business manager of the branch store in Terre Haute.

The arduous duties of this position were such as to greatly impair his health, in consequence of which he was compelled to resign the same and turn his attention to something fraught with fewer responsibilities. For some time after severing his connection with the clothing firm, he carried on the cigar business in Terre Haute, but afterward disposed of his stock and in 1880



entered the employ of the wholesale dry-goods and notion house of H. Robinson & Co., as traveling salesman. This firm dissolving, Mr. Hogan continued on the road as representative of the C. L. Braman company, successors to the former firm, and was thus engaged until January, 1892, when he succeeded in organizing and having incorporated the present C. L. Braman company, of which he became vice-president, and later vice-president and treasurer. He is also a director and large stockholder, and much of the success of the firm is directly traceable to his wise management and superior executive ability.

Mr. Hogan has been a potential factor in politics and was particularly active in the campaign of 1896, as a democrat, advocating the gold standard; he was a delegate from the fifth congressional district to the National convention held in Indianapolis, and took an active part against what he considered the financial fallacy of free silver. From his infancy Mr. Hogan has been trained and thoroughly indoctrinated into the pure faith of the Holy Mother church, of which he has ever proved a most devoted and loyal son. He is a member of St. Joseph parish, Terre Haute.

REV. WILLIAM S. HOGAN, pastor of St. Joachim's church, at Lebanon, Boone county, was born in Fort Wayne, Ind., October 9, 1869, a son of Patrick and Margaret (Whelan) Hogan, natives of Ireland. The father is living with his wife at Fort Wayne, and is a highly respected gentleman, prominently identified with the Catholic church, of which, also, his wife is a most devout member.

Rev. William S. Hogan attended the parochial school attached to the cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at Fort Wayne until fifteen years of age, and then entered the Ecclesiastical college of St. Lawrence of Brundisium, attached to the Capuchin monastery, at Mount Calvary, Fond du Lac county, Wis., from which he graduated in 1892. He next entered Mount St. Mary's Seminary of the West at Cincinnati, Ohio, where he finished his theological studies, and was ordained priest at Fort Wayne, Ind.,

by Right Rev. Bishop Rademacher, June 24, 1897. He was immediately thereafter assigned as assistant to the Very Rev. M. E. Campion, dean of St. Vincent de Paul church, at Logansport, and there remained until August, 1898, when he was transferred to the pastorate of St. Joachim, to succeed Rev. Henry A. Hellhake.

PATRICK HOLLRAN, at No. 430 West Maryland street, Indianapolis, Ind., was born in county Mayo, Ireland, and is a son of Patrick and Mary (Horan) Hollran, both natives of the same county with himself, and in which they both spent their lives, dying in middle life. They were the parents of six children, as follows: Martin, Patrick (the subject of this sketch), Bridget, Ann, Honora and Mary, all of whom are living in Ireland, except the subject, and all of whom are well-to-do and highly respectable people.

The early life of Patrick Hollran was spent in his native country, in England and in other portions of the queen's dominions. On May 6, 1888, he landed in the United States, and was for some time immediately thereafter engaged in railroading on the Big Four road. Later he was employed as a bar tender, in which capacity he continued to serve until June, 1897, when he established himself in business on his own account. He has had but one considerable misfortune, losing about \$3,000 by the failure of the Indianapolis National bank. Like many of his countrymen he is not well informed as to the genealogy of his family, and even the date of his own birth is a matter of some uncertainty with him. Though Mr. Hollran is past the meridian of his life, yet he is well preserved, sprightly, neat and active. He is a member of St. John's church, of which the Rev. Father Gavisk is the respected pastor, and to which Mr. Hollran is a liberal contributor. He has never married. Politically he is a democrat, but is not a seeker after office. He is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, but is not now affiliating. Though most of his life in the United States has been spent in the sale of liquors, yet he is himself a total abstainer, not having tasted a drop of any kind of intoxicant for several years. He is a man of exemplary habits in other directions and is a citizen highly esteemed by all.

**G**EORGE HOLTEL, proprietor of the Oldenburg Saw and Planing mill, is one of two children born to George B. and Mary G. (Groenefeld) Holtel, who died in Germany. Mr. Holtel was born October 1, 1844, in Germany, and came to the United States, landing in New York, May 18, 1867. He lived in Cincinnati for three months, and came to his present home on July 4, 1867. He learned the carpenter trade in Germany, as his father and his grandfather were carpenters. He worked alone at his trade in Oldenburg from 1867 to 1878, and then became a partner with Ortmann. In 1878 he put up a planing and saw-mill, and has continued this ever since. In 1888 he bought in all the stock of the Oldenburg Furniture company, and now does a business of \$20,000 per year.

Mr. Holtel was married May 24, 1870, to Miss Mary Ortmann, a daughter of Henry Ortmann, of Franklin county; they have had eleven children, of whom nine are living, viz: Mary (now Mrs. George Feldkemp), Anna, George S. (manager of the mill), Joseph, Rosie, Clara, Nora, Bertha and William. All of the children are members of the Catholic church. Mr. Holtel was also secretary and treasurer of St. Boniface Life Insurance company, which disbanded in 1895. He is one of the most enterprising men in the county and is universally respected.

**R**EV. PETER HOMMES, pastor of St. Henry's church, Dubois county, is a native of Ernst, Germany, was born August 13, 1855, and is the youngest in a family of seven children born to Peter and Mary A. (Goebel) Hommes. Peter Hommes, Sr., was a grower of the vine.

Father Hommes' primary education was begun in the parochial schools of his native land, and after his primary course he entered the gymnasium at Kochen, Rhenish Prussia, in 1868, and remained there until 1871. He then entered the gymnasium at Treves, and remained there until 1877. In 1877-78 he studied philosophy at the Petite seminaire of Trond, Belgium.

In August, 1878, Father Hommes bade adieu to his native

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country and sailed from Havre, France, bound for New York, his objective point being the noted college of St. Meinrad, Ind., which he entered to fit himself for the priesthood of the diocese of Vincennes, Ind. He took the theoloical course, and graduated June 11, 1881, was ordained priest by Bishop Chatard, and his first work was as assistant at the cathedral at Vincennes, under the Rev. Father Peythieu, and was there from July 4, 1881, to "All Saint's day," November 7, 1881, and then was assigned to the parish of St. Mark, Perry county, where he remained until July 8, 1885, when he was sent to Princeton, Ind., and St. Bernard's parish, where he erected a frame church, 86x40 feet, and added a spire of 100 feet, in 1892, at a cost of \$3,000. He erected the priest's house in 1886, at a cost of \$1,200. He remained pastor of St. Bernard until August 1, 1895, administering to forty families there, and to about thirty at Princeton.

In August, 1895, Father Hommes was assigned to St. Croix, Perry county, and remained there until 1897, when he was assigned to St. Henry, in Dubois county, where he is the present pastor.

Father Hommes is a gentleman of ripe scholarship, a critic on the leading topics of the day, has ably contributed to the various journals and papers of Catholic renown, and is recognized among the priesthood as a man of original thought and diction. He is beloved by his people and also has won the respect of Protestants wherever it has been his lot to reside.

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REV. GUSTAVE HOTTENROTH, of Fort Wayne, son of John and Margurette (Huniburg) Hottenroth, was born August 19, 1872, in the pleasant little town of Hundeshagen, Eichsfeld, Germany. The congregation in that town gave several priests to the church and has several more students in preparation, showing that it is a pious community. He attended the parochial school of his native village of 1,500 inhabitants until he was twelve years of age, and next, in 1885, entered the college of St. Charles, of Aix la Chapelle, Germany, when he made his first communion on Easter Sunday. In 1891 he began his second term as a student of phil-

osophy in the seminary of Liege, and in November, 1893, came to America and studied theology in the seminary of St. Meinrad, Spencer county, Ind., which institution of divine instruction is presided over by the Benedictine Fathers. There, May 30, 1896, he was ordained priest by Right Rev. Bishop Francis Silas Chatard, and was assigned to his pastoral duties in the diocese of Fort Wayne, where he is now assistant in St. Mary's church.

Father Hottenroth, although but little beyond his novitiate, has been very zealous in the discharge of his clerical duties and has shown himself to be well prepared for his holy office. His attainments, for so young a priest, are the admiration of his congregation and well meet the approbation of his superiors, and, although it does not become the publishers of a work of this character to indulge in prophetic language, the remark may be made, if as a surmise only, that the day is not far distant when his devotion, humility and piety will meet a well deserved reward. Rev. Hottenroth has a sister in the convent at Bruxelles, or Brussels, Belgium, in the house of the Poor Child Jesus, the mother house being in Simpelveld, Holland.

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**P**ATRICK J. HOOLEY, the fashionable merchant tailor of No. 418 Market street, Logansport, Ind., is a native of county Cork, Ireland, was born March 14, 1863, and is a son of Michael and Noah (Murphy) Hooley, who were the parents of ten children, all born in Ireland, and of whom two died in childhood.

Michael Hooley, who was born in 1831, was a tailor by trade, and long carried on business on his own account in the old country, being an acknowledged master of his art. His wife was born in 1834, and in 1880 the family came to America and settled in Logansport. The eight surviving children are Ella, who is married to Timothy Caughlin, a passenger conductor on the Pan-handle railroad, and has five children; James married Ella Hayes, is a foreman in the employ of the same railroad company, and has two children; Patrick J., the next in order of birth, is the subject of this sketch; Mary is a stenographer and bookkeeper for the

Pharos; Hannah is the wife of Joseph McCallister, an employee of the C., J. & M. railroad shops, at Van Wert, Ohio, with a family of four children; Michael, Jr., is a tailor, and Kate and Nora are still at home. Nora is a stenographer in the employ of I. N. Cool. The father still works at his trade and assists his son, Patrick J., and he and wife are devout members of St. Bridget's church.

Patrick J. Hooley was educated in the National schools in Ireland, and in that country began learning his trade, which he completed after arriving in Logansport. In 1888 he formed a partnership with a Mr. Kasten, and under the firm name of Kasten & Hooley did a very successful business until 1890, when Mr. Hooley, having become a great favorite with the fashionable young men of the city, started in trade on his sole account, in which he has established the reputation of being one of the best cutters, if not the best, in the city, and also as a merchant tailor who never, under any circumstances, misrepresents his goods.

In 1892, Mr. Hooley married Miss Lena Mitchell, a native of Logansport, and a daughter of John and Anna (Rolli) Mitchell, the union resulting in the birth of two bright children—Olga and Kevin. The family are members of St. Joseph's congregation, and Mr. Hooley is also a member of the Catholic Knights of America.

Too much credit cannot be given to Mr. Hooley for his attentiveness to his business and untiring industry, and in illustration of this statement it may be said that, even before he engaged in business, he had paid for a dwelling for his parents, and has since erected a handsome dwelling for himself at No. 729 Miami street.

Mr. Hooley has a paternal aunt, Mary, who is married and lives in Brazil, South America, and another, Catherine, who resides in England.

**J**OHN HOOSE, the well-known hay and grain dealer of South Bend, Ind., was born in Berlin, Holmes county, Ohio, October 6, 1845, a son of Peter and Elizabeth (Fries) Hoose, natives of Germany.

Peter Hoose was reared to farming, received a good parochial-

school education and was then apprenticed to a tailor. He married first in Germany, and on coming to America landed in New York city, whence he came west to Ohio and located in Holmes county, where he engaged in farming until 1852, when he came to St. Joseph county, Ind., farmed until 1868, and then removed to Clarence, Mo., taking with him his second wife, Christina Hoffman, whom he had married in 1860, and two of his sons by his first marriage—Philip and Christian. Mrs. Elizabeth (Fries) Hoose died in South Bend, Ind., in 1857, the mother of the following children: Peter, now living in Mishawaka, Ind.; Jacob, farming in St. Joseph county; John, the subject of this sketch; Henry, Christian, Philip and Elizabeth. The death of the father occurred in Missouri in 1875.

John Hoose, whose name introduces this biographical notice, was about seven years of age when his parents settled in St. Joseph county, Ind. He was educated in the district schools of South Bend, as well as in a parochial school, and lived on the home farm until eighteen years old, when he enlisted, April 21, 1863, in an Indiana battery of artillery, and served until June 23, 1864, when he was honorably discharged. Returning to St. Joseph county, Ind., he worked for six years on the farm owned by Edward Irvin, and in 1870 bought a place in Greene township, which he cultivated until 1892, when he permanently settled in South Bend. For two years following he was engaged in buying and selling wood, and then embarked in his present traffic in hay and grain, which he has wrought up to quite a considerable magnitude. While a resident of Greene township, he served for a number of years as supervisor, but since he has taken up his residence in South Bend he has given but little attention to matters political, outside of exercising his franchise at the polls, where he unfailingly casts his vote in support of the republican party.

The marriage of Mr. Hoose took place in the spring of 1868 with Miss Rosilla Roth, the fruit of the union being seven children, of whom five are still living, viz: Frank W., Clara E., Mary E., Gertrude A. and Caroline—all, with the parents, included in the congregation of St. Patrick, South Bend. Mr. Hoose is a self-made man and enjoys an excellent business reputation for vera-

ciousness and straightforward dealing, and he and family stand high in the esteem in both the social and church circles of South Bend and St. Joseph county.

**M**ICHAEL HORAN was born in King's county, Ireland, September 25, 1850, the son of Thomas and Ann (Young) Horan, both parents natives of the Emerald isle.

Thomas Horan and family came to the United States in the early 'fifties, locating first at Peru, Ind., where for several years Mr. Horan was employed in a distillery. About 1870 he removed to Bloomington, Ill., where his wife died, and later, 1872, he went to Indianapolis, in which city his death occurred December 24, 1876, at the age of sixty years. Ten children were born to Thomas and Ann Horan, but four of whom are living at this time, Michael being the eldest of the family. The second in order of birth, Eliza J., married John P. Dwyer, a locomotive engineer, and resides in Indianapolis; John is also a resident of the same city, and Patrick is an employee on the I., V. & W. R. R. Of the six members of the family deceased, two died in infancy and the others in early youth.

The early life of Michael Horan was spent in the various places where the family resided, and while still young he began to work for himself as water boy on the Wabash railroad. Subsequently he entered the employ of the I., V. & W. and Belt roads, remaining with the same for a period of sixteen years, passing, the meanwhile, through the various stations to that of conductor. While employed in the latter capacity, he met with a serious accident, which caused the loss of the thumb and the first and second fingers of his left hand, thus necessitating his retirement from the railway service. For about eight years after leaving the road, Mr. Horan ran a sample room in Indianapolis, and during the four succeeding years was engaged in the wholesale cigar business, carrying on the manufacture of cigars in connection therewith.

In 1895 Mr. Horan began the real estate and insurance business, which he has since conducted upon quite an extensive scale,



doing a large and lucrative business in Indianapolis and elsewhere. He was married in St. John's church, in the year 1882, to Miss Mary Ann Dwyer, the ceremony being solemnized according to the impressive service of the Roman Catholic church by the Very Rev. Mgr. Bessonies, who, at the same time, united in the holy bonds of wedlock a sister of the subject, and I. F. Dwyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Horan are the parents of one son, John, a bright youth of fifteen, and two children that died in infancy. The family's church relations are with St. Anthony's parish, Haughville, of which Mr. Horan was largely instrumental in founding. He is a member of the A. O. H. and Y. M. I., and has ever manifested a lively interest in the welfare of the church, doing all within his power toward promoting its efficiency in his own parish in Indianapolis and elsewhere.

EDWARD HOWARD, a well-respected member of St. Simon's parish, and foreman in the boiler department of the B. & O. S. W. railway shops, at Washington, Ind., was born at Maysville, Ky., February 2, 1853, a son of James and Sabina (Crayhan) Howard. His parents were neighbors in county Galway, Ireland, and in their early life came to this country and married here. They located in Kentucky, but in 1856 moved to North Madison, Ind., where they remained ten years; in 1866 they moved to Hannibal, Mo., whence, after a two years' residence, they moved to Quincy, Ill., where they remained two years, and then went to Keokuk, Ia., where they both died, the father August 15, 1886, and the mother June 8, 1895. They were parents of seven children, of whom our subject was the eldest. They were members of St. Peter's church at Keokuk.

Edward Howard was educated in the parochial schools, and early in life learned the trade of boiler-making, which he has since followed. His first employment was at Quincy, Ill., for one year, after which he went to Keokuk, where he was employed for three years. Afterward he spent two years at Indianapolis, and then a year at Terre Haute. In 1876 he went to Vincennes, and in 1882

was promoted to be foreman in the boiler shops of the B. & O. S. W. railway. In 1889, he was transferred to Washington and has since satisfactorily filled a similar position in the shops here.

He was married at Vincennes, July 1, 1880, to Miss Alice Stephens, who was born in Martin county, Ind., April 30, 1859. They have had the following children: Mary A., deceased; James; Irene; Huldah; Helen; John, deceased; Catherine, and Marie. Mrs. Howard is a convert to the Catholic faith, and both are active in the work of the church. Politically Mr. Howard is a strong democrat.

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REV. HYPOLITE PIERRARD, pastor of the church of the Annunciation, Brazil, Clay county, Ind., was born in Belgium, May 11, 1843, and was a lad of but seven or eight years of age when brought to America by his parents, Nicholas and Victoria (Hinc) Pierrard, who settled in Perry county, Ind., where they passed the remainder of their lives—the parents of eight children.

The education of Rev. Hypolite Pierrard was begun in the public and parochial schools, chiefly in the latter, and his classical studies were pursued for six years at Bardstown, Ky.; his theological course was had at St. Meinrad's seminary, Ind., and May 29, 1877, he was ordained priest by Bishop de St. Palais. His first charge was at Leopold, his old home in Perry county, Ind., where he remained three years and one month, when he was transferred to his present charge in Brazil, August 10, 1880, of which he has since been the beloved and devoted pastor and untiring worker for the spiritual and temporal advancement of his flock.

Father Hypolite Pierrard has won golden opinions and high respect from all classes of society since his residence in Brazil began, irrespective of creed or nationality, and with his flock, who venerate him for his kindness of heart, his piety and profound wisdom, he is "grappled to their souls with hooks of steel." His labors for the good of his people have been unwearying and constant, and his unswerving fidelity to the interests of the church has met with an approbation from his superiors that will be made more manifest as the days roll by.





*Yours truly,  
Rev. H. Pierrard.*



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BRAZIL, IND.



CATHOLIC CHURCH OF INDIANA.

HON. HENRY T. HUDSON, ex-state senator, is a native of Boston, Mass., was born December 7, 1850, and is a son of George and Ann (Gillighan) Hudson—the father a native of Dublin, and the mother of county Sligo, Ireland, but who were married in Gibralter, Spain.

George Hudson, the father, was steward on an English man-of-war, and spent a number of years in the service of the English crown, some five or six of which were spent on the Mediterranean sea and in Italian ports. His father was an Episcopalian, though his mother was a Catholic, and George was reared in this faith. He came to America in 1848, locating first at New York, but soon after went to Boston, where he was a merchant, and where he lost his wife in 1873, and where his own death took place in the winter of 1883. The family consisted of two sons and six daughters. John, the only brother of subject, was killed in an accident at Cambridge, Mass., on the Fitchburg railroad, in September, 1892. He was ten years older than subject, and left a wife and eight children. The eldest of this family was Elizabeth, wife of James Breslin, a wholesale cigar dealer in Boston; John was second in order of birth; Mary, unmarried, resides in Boston; Esther, now Mrs. Tollman, also lives in Boston; Henry T. is the subject of this notice; Emma is unmarried; Annie is married and resides in Bangor, Me.; Charlotte, unmarried, resides in Boston.

Henry T. Hudson was educated in the public schools of Boston, and there learned the plumber's trade. He was married, in 1878, to Miss Ann Raftery, a native of Castle Blakeney, county Galway, Ireland, and came to Boston with her parents when a child of eight years. Her father was Thomas, and her mother was Bridget (Fallen) Raftery, natives of Ireland, and they had a family of three sons and three daughters, all still living. The family of subject removed from Boston to Indianapolis in 1883, stopping temporarily at Cincinnati, Ohio. Henry T. at once engaged in working at his trade here, continuing to the present. He is now located at No. 1219 Madison avenue, with his residence at the same number.

At the general election of 1888, Mr. Hudson was elected as a democrat to the office of state senator, serving two sessions. He

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was the champion of the labor element of this city, being the only mechanic in the body. He introduced various measures looking to the advantage of the laboring people, was chairman of the committee on labor and labor statistics, and was also a member of the committee on health and committee on public buildings, affairs of the city of Indianapolis and the committee on claims. He served four years, his term ending with the session of 1891, though his successor was elected in 1892. Mr. Hudson is a recognized leader in local politics and influential in the councils of his party. The family are members of St. Patrick's church, Rev. Father O'Donoghue pastor. Mr. Hudson was a charter member of St. Patrick's branch, No. 563, C. K. of A., is also a member of Capital council of the Y. M. I.; Mrs. Hudson is a member of the Altar society of St. Patrick's and the Third order of St. Francis at the Sacred Heart church.

Mr. and Mrs. Hudson are the parents of four children, viz: George Henry, born August 17, 1879, is a student at Teutopolis, Ill., St. Joseph's Franciscan college, preparing for the ministry, and now in his fifth year's work; Anna, born December 7, 1881, is a graduate of St. Patrick's academy and is employed in newspaper work; Andrew was born August 17, 1883, and is a student in St. Patrick's school; Mamie was born March 5, 1885, in this city; the other three were born in Boston. The family are held in high respect throughout the city of Washington, Ind., and Mr. Hudson is especially esteemed for his many noble qualities of head and heart.

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**J**OHAN HUBERS, a prosperous general merchant at St. Meinrad's, Spencer county, Ind., was born in Hanover, Germany, April 16, 1839, a son of Theodore and Anna Maria Hubers, who were the parents of six children. The father, an extensive agriculturist, died in Germany in 1845.

John Hubers was educated in the common schools of his native country and was reared to manhood on the home farm. In 1861 he came to the United States, landing in Baltimore, whence he went at once to Louisville, Ky., where he engaged in



laboring until 1876; from 1876 to 1879 he was engaged in the dairy business with gratifying success, and in the latter year came to St. Meinrad's, and here entered into general merchandizing. He is now one of the most prosperous merchants of the city, carrying a stock valued at \$4,000 to \$5,000, and he owns, beside, personal property valued at \$2,500. He is also proprietor of the leading hotel of the city, and this is one of the best fitted-up in the state, and is very popular with both the traveling public and the permanent residents. In connection with this establishment, Mr. Hubers likewise conducts a livery barn, which is well supplied with all rigs necessary to fill local demands.

Mr. Hubers first married Miss Anna Derweske, who bore him two children, Anna M. and Catherine, the latter now the wife of John Schaefer, of Fulda, Spencer county, Ind. Mrs. Anna Hubers died a devout Catholic, September 2, 1874, and Anna M., the daughter, followed her to the grave seven weeks later. Mr. Huebers next married, July 27, 1875, Miss Anna Mayer, and this union has been blessed with six children, of whom five are still living, viz: Bernard John, Maria C., Anna M., John H. and Edward John. The family are all members of St. Meinrad's church in Spencer county, and enjoy the respect and esteem of all who know them.

**J**OHAN HUGHES, a respected business man of South Bend, and an ex-soldier of the Civil war, was born in Penn township, St. Joseph county, Ind., March 29, 1844, a son of Thomas and Anna (Gillen) Hughes, natives of Ireland, but married in America.

Thomas Hughes was born in county Meath in 1800, came to America at the age of twenty years, and landed in Boston, Mass., but later came to Indiana, and for about four years worked on a farm near Laporte, for Aaron Stanton, after which he followed agricultural pursuits in various parts of the state until 1842, when he married, at Mishawaka, Ind., Miss Anna Gillen, who was born in 1818. This union was blessed with nine children, three of whom, Thomas, Catherine and Margaret, are deceased, and their remains interred in Notre Dame cemetery. The six survivors are

Mary, wife of John Rector, of Laporte; Patrick, Edward and John, of South Bend; Christopher, of Cassopolis, Mich., and Joseph, of Lakeville, Ind. The father of this family died at Lakeville, January 22, 1882, and the mother, June 10, 1890, and both were laid to rest in the cemetery of Notre Dame.

John Hughes, whose name opens this biographical notice, was educated in the district schools near Lakeville, St. Joseph county, Ind., and when his school days had ended engaged in farming until the outbreak of the Civil war, when he enlisted at Lakeville, in company K, Twenty-ninth Indiana volunteer infantry, for three years, and did gallant service in some of the most important battles of the war, including Shiloh, Corinth, Stone River, Liberty Gap, Chickamauga, Chattanooga and many others, and was honorably discharged September 26, 1864. He was a brave and faithful soldier, ever at his post, and cheerful in the performance of his duty. On his return from the service, he resumed farming near Lakeville, Ind., and so continued until April, 1869, when he settled in South Bend, where he has ever since been engaged in his present business.

The marriage of Mr. Hughes took place September 2, 1896, at Cassopolis, Mich., to Miss Anna Halpin, the ceremony being performed at the home of his brother Christopher. Mr. and Mrs. Hughes are members of St. Patrick's church at South Bend, are liberal contributors to its support, are faithful in their church duties and enjoy the respect of a large circle of sincere friends.

**J**OHN THOMAS HUNT, a member of chemical company No. 2, Indianapolis city fire department, was born in county Roscommon, Ireland, April 25, 1865, a son of John and Ann Hunt, who came to America in 1868 and first located in New York, whence they went to Hamilton, Ohio, and in 1870, came to Indianapolis, where the father died in September, 1874, and where the mother still resides. There were four children born to Mr. and Mrs. Hunt—three in Ireland and one in Hamilton, Ohio, viz: Anna, who is the wife of Martin Gavin, living on Agnes street, Indianapolis; James, who died in Ireland in childhood; John

Thomas, whose name opens this paragraph, and Patrick, weigh-master for the Kingan Packing company.

John Thomas Hunt was educated at St. John's academy and subsequently was for fourteen years employed by the Kingan Packing company as city salesman. October 1, 1892, he was appointed a member of the city fire department, and in this employ he has ever since remained. November 25, 1896, he was married, at the church of the Sacred Heart, by Rev. Father Haase, to Miss Frances T. Gantner, a native of Jennings county, Ind., and a daughter of Michael and Lena Gantner, now of Indianapolis. Mrs. Hunt is a graduate of Sacred Heart academy, and at the time of her marriage was a member of the Sacred Heart church choir, being a vocalist of more than local reputation. Of the eight children born to Mr. and Mrs. Gantner, beside Mrs. Hunt, four are deceased, the survivors being Lena, who is a bookkeeper and cashier for a mercantile house in Indianapolis; a daughter who is a sister in a convent in Kansas City, Mo.; Michael, a tinner in Indianapolis, and Frank, a theological student under the Franciscan order.

Mr. Hunt is a devout Catholic and has been active in his church life since infancy. He was an altar boy and assisted at the mass read when Bishop Chatard was exalted to his present eminent position, and served in the mass at the ordination of the Very Rev. D. O'Donaghue, and for four years was altar boy under the pastorate of that distinguished divine, and was five years a trustee of St. John's church. He was one of the organizers of the Emmett Guards, of which he was a first lieutenant, but resigned this commission to join the Indiana light infantry, in which he was a sergeant; he was also a member of Bessonies commandery, Knights of Father Mathew, but resigned his membership in all, to accept his present position. In politics he is an unswerving democrat. His attendance at divine service is regular, Sunday being his day off duty, and he is generous, in his contributions to the support of the church and her good work. He and wife enjoy the society of a large circle of social acquaintances, and are greatly respected among all for their intrinsically good qualities, and have their pleasant residence at No. 631 South Missouri street, which is the old homestead.

**F**RANK HULSMAN, a retired merchant, now residing on his farm in Shelby county, Ind., was born in Oldenburg, Germany, February 16, 1840, a son of Joseph and Mary (Holterhenriche) Hulsman, who were both born, reared and married in the same parish, and became the parents of nine children, viz: Elizabeth, Joseph, Henry and Christopher, all deceased; Bernard, a grocer of Cincinnati, Ohio; Teresa, widow of Peter Slusser, of Shelbyville, Ohio; Charles and Caroline, deceased; and Frank, the subject. The father of this family was a wealthy farmer and was very prominent in the work of the Catholic church in his native land.

Frank Hulsman, the subject, attended the parochial schools of his native province until fourteen years of age, and at the age of seventeen, in 1857, came to America with his sister, Caroline, and located in Cincinnati. Thence he went to the college of St. Thomas, at Bardstown, Ky., remained there until 1861, and then entered St. Meinrad college, from which he graduated in 1862 and returned to Cincinnati, where he entered mercantile life as a clerk in a dry-goods store, in which he remained until 1864, when he formed a partnership with Louis Enneking and August Horst, and carried on the dry-goods trade until 1879, when he came to Shelby county, Ind., and bought a farm of 105 acres, to which he has since added 160 acres, and which is still his home, having also an interest in the Farmers' National bank of Shelbyville.

The marriage of Mr. Hulsman took place May 5, 1866, in Cincinnati, to Miss Philomena Rieckelman, a native of that city, born May 5, 1844, and a daughter of Herman H. and Catherine (Buddecke) Rieckelman, natives of Germany. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Hulsman has been blessed with seven children, viz: Philomena, wife of Peter Bierck, a harnessmaker of Madison, Ind.; Henry, of Shelby county; Victor, Agatha and Leo, at home; Cecile, a student of music at Madison, and Louis, a student at St. Mary's institute, of Dayton, Ohio. Mr. Hulsman and family are members of St. Vincent's Catholic church, in which Mr. Hulsman has served as secretary, treasurer and trustee, and has always been ardent and devout in the performance of his religious duties. In farming he devotes most of his attention to the raising of grain and the breeding of Jersey cattle, fine horses, etc. He has proven him-

self to be equally well qualified for agriculture as for merchandizing, and his social standing and that of his family is with the best people of Shelby county.

**J**OHN C. HUNTER, of Washington, Daviess county, Ind., is a native of this county and was born in Barr township July 29, 1863, a son of William and Lucinda Hunter. He was educated in the common schools, and at twenty-one years of age began farming on his own account, on a tract of 120 acres of good farm land given him by his father. This excellent farm he cultivated until 1895, in August of which year he located in Washington and embarked in the livery business, which he successfully prosecuted about two years. He was accommodating and square and just in all his dealings, and necessarily became a favorite with the public. He still owns and operates his farm, but has retired from the livery business.

Mr. Hunter was united in marriage October 21, 1891, with Miss Maggie O'Keefe, a native of Daviess county and a daughter of Morris and Mary O'Keefe, and this marriage has been blessed by the birth of one child—Helen. Mr. and Mrs. Hunter are consistent members of St. Simon's Catholic congregation, and in his politics Mr. Hunter is a democrat. An honest, straightforward and obliging man, Mr. Hunter has won the respect of all, both in business and social circles, and his wife shares with him in general esteem.

**C**HARLES HUPE, M. D., of LaFayette, Ind., was born in Wellingholthausen, Hanover, Germany, July 26, 1857, son of Henry and Elizabeth (Moellering) Hupe, both parents natives of the same country.

Henry Hupe was a physician of distinguished ability and a man prominent in the public affairs of his native city. He accumulated a handsome competence in the practice of his profession and died in the kingdom of Hanover in August, 1886; his wife pre-

ceded him to the grave, departing this life in the year 1871. They were the parents of five children, but two of whom survive, Conrad, a professor in the university of Papenburg, Germany, and Dr. Charles Hupe, for whom this sketch is prepared. The Hupe family for generations have been ardent Catholics and the above-named Henry was a leader in the church of Wellingholthausen.

Dr. Charles Hupe's preliminary education was received in the parochial schools of his native town, which he attended until fourteen years of age, after which he was under a private tutor, who prepared him for college. He completed his literary course in the college at Muenster, Westphalia, and then entered upon the study of medicine in the medical department of the university of Halle, which he attended till 1880, when he entered the medical college at Greipswald, graduating from that institution two years later.

In November, 1883, the doctor came to the United States, landing at New York, proceeding thence to LaFayette, Ind., where he at once entered upon the active practice of his profession, which he has since successfully continued. He was married, October 13, 1886, in LaFayette, to Josephine Riedlinger, daughter of Stephen and Frances (Honer) Riedlinger, the ceremony being solemnized in St. Boniface church by Father Pius. Dr. and Mrs. Hupe have three children, viz: Mary, Alice and Edward, who with the parents are members of St. Boniface parish. The doctor is medical examiner of four councils of the C. B. L., of LaFayette, Catholic Order of Foresters, belongs to the Knights of St. John, and is also a member of the Tippecanoe Medical society and ranks with the most successful physicians and surgeons of the city.

**D**ANIEL HURLEY, an industrious and honored citizen of Indianapolis, resides at No. 1208 Lexington avenue, within the limits of St. Patrick's parish, having been a resident of this parish ever since he came to the city in 1882. Mr. Hurley was born in Lancaster, Ohio, August 13, 1861. His father, Daniel Hurley, was a native of county Cork, Ireland, there grew to manhood and married Miss Ellen Higgins. About 1848 they emigrated to Can-

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ada, locating in Montreal, where Mrs. Hurley died, leaving her husband with a son. Later Mr. Hurley removed to Washington Court House, Ohio, where he married Margaret Ring, and at length settled in Lancaster, Ohio. In 1868 both Mr. Hurley and his wife died, the former first, and the latter within a week after his death, apparently from grief at the loss of her husband. They left two sons, beside the son of the first marriage of Mr. Hurley. The two sons by Mr. Hurley's second marriage were named Daniel and John, the former the subject of this sketch, and the latter a resident of Washington Court House, Ohio.

Daniel Hurley, the subject of this sketch, after the death of his parents was taken into the family of a maternal uncle, with whom he remained until he was about seventeen years of age, at which time he began the battle of life for himself, going into the lake Superior region. There he remained a year and then returned to Washington Court House, Ohio. A year later he went to Cincinnati, Ohio, and entered the employ of the Big Four Railway company, beginning as a fireman, and retaining this position six years. At the end of those six years he was given charge of a locomotive, which responsible position he has held ever since.

Mr. Hurley was married, in Cincinnati, to Miss Anna Stogsdale, of St. Paul, Ind., by whom he has three children, two daughters and a son, viz: Edna, Margaret and Daniel. Beside being a faithful, careful and trusted employee of the Big Four Railway company, Mr. Hurley is recognized by all that know him as an intelligent and worthy citizen, and is an esteemed member of Capital council, No. 276, Young Men's institute.

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REV. ANTHONY M. ELLERING, pastor of St. Paul's church, Columbia City, Whitley county, Ind., was born in the province of Westphalia, Prussia, March 18, 1854, the first of a family of seven children born to Gerhard and Mary Anna (Esseling) Ellering, natives, also, of the same province.

Gerhard Ellering attended the parochial school of his native village of Epe until he attained the age of fifteen years, and was

then employed in farming. He was married in Epe, in 1852, by Father Bernard Lammers, and this union was blessed with seven children, who were named in order of birth as follows: Anthony M., Henry, Bernard, Catharina, George, Joseph and Clement, all now living in Minnesota, with the exception of the Rev. Anthony M., the subject of this biography. In 1868 the family came to America, landing in New York city August 22 of that year, whence they went directly to Meire's Grove, Stearns county, Minn., where the father purchased a farm, which he cultivated until his death, which took place December 23, 1884, and where, also, his wife had died a year previous, both in the faith of the holy Catholic church—their remains being interred, side by side, in St. John's cemetery.

Rev. Anthony M. Ellering was primarily educated in a parochial school of his native village of Epe, Westphalia; then, after his first holy communion, he attended for two years a private Latin school, and, at the age of fifteen years, left this school to come to America with his parents. From 1874 until 1878 he attended the university at Collegeville, Minn., from which he was graduated after finishing his classical studies. From 1878 until 1880 he attended Calvary college, Fond du Lac county, Wis., from which he graduated in philosophy, and from 1880 until 1884 attended St. Francis seminary at Milwaukee, Wis., from which he was graduated in theology. He was then invested with minor orders—sub-deacon and deacon—in the seminary chapel by the late Most Rev. Archbishop Heiss, and was ordained priest at the Fort Wayne (Ind.) cathedral by the late Right Rev. Bishop Dwenger, June 11, 1884. He then returned to the home of his parents in Minnesota, and said his first mass on St. John's day, June 24, 1884. He was appointed assistant pastor at Michigan City, Ind., the same year, and later was pastor at Warsaw, Pierceton and Bourbon, with his residence at Fort Wayne, and May 1, 1886, was appointed to the pastorate of St. Paul, Columbia City, having also charge of Warsaw parish. Father Ellering is an erudite scholar, a fine pulpit orator and a pure Christian. He has been a faithful servant of the church and has labored arduously for the advancement of the spiritual and temporal wants of his



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congregation, who hold him in deep veneration, love and gratitude. Since he has had charge of St. Paul's parish he has erected a new school-house at a cost of \$5,000, and made many improvements in the church property, and never tires of the good work he has at heart.

CHARLES E. HYLAND, superintendent of police, at Terre Haute, appointed by the board of metropolitan police commissioners, was born April 21, 1857, in Ashboro, Ind., a son of James and Mary Hyland, natives of county Mayo, Ireland. These parents came to the United States ten years prior to the birth of Charles E. and located in Clay county, Ind., near the village of Ashboro, where James Hyland purchased a farm, on which he resided until his death, August 14, 1864; this place is still in possession of the family, his mother, sister and brothers.

The early youth of Charles E. Hyland was passed on the home farm, and in 1871, November 9, he came to the city of Terre Haute and began learning the stonecutter's trade, at which he served a regular apprenticeship with Hanrahan & Grace, becoming quite proficient in the meantime. For some time after completing his apprenticeship, Mr. Hyland did journey work in various places, notably among which was Washington city, D. C., where he was employed in the construction of the Washington monument, and he also assisted on the Indiana state house at Indianapolis, and the Vigo county court house at Terre Haute. Mr. Hyland was appointed patrolman on the city police force of Terre Haute February 1, 1885, was promoted sergeant July 28, 1889, and on March 14, 1891, was made captain, the duties of which position he discharged in a most efficient manner until April 1, 1897, at which time he was appointed to the position he now so ably fills, to-wit, superintendent of the metropolitan police. He was married May 30, 1887, at St. Joseph's church, by the Rev. Joseph Frewin, to Mollie Kelly of St. Mary's of the Woods, a union blessed with the birth of two children: Charles J. Hyland, who died in infancy, and Marguerite. Mr. and Mrs. Hyland are devoted members of St. Patrick's parish, Terre Haute, and in their daily lives exemplify the true faith

which they profess. In his every relation of life, Mr. Hyland has proved a most worthy citizen, and in his official capacities the city of his adoption has never known a more capable or trustworthy public servant. He is a member of the A. O. H., uniform rank K. of P., Improved Order of Red Men, the Modern Woodmen, and the A. O. U. W.

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**W**ILLIAM JOSEPH IMHOFF, dealer in groceries, Richmond, Ind., is, as the name implies, of German parentage, his father, Joseph Imhoff, having been born in Reeke, province of Westphalia, Germany, in May, 1818. Joseph Imhoff came to the United States in 1838, at the age of twenty, and for some time thereafter found employment as a common laborer in Cincinnati, where he lived for a period of nine years. From that city he moved, in 1853, to Richmond, Ind., making the latter place his home until 1889, in May of which year his death occurred. He was married in Cincinnati, July 18, 1846, by Father Leo, pastor of St. Joseph church, to Miss Mary Uphenbrock, who bore him eight children, whose names are as follows: Henry, William J., Mary (wife of Henry Mille), Bernadina, Elizabeth, Louisa, Anna (wife of Herman Austerman) and Bernard, deceased. Joseph Imhoff was reared in the faith of the mother church and trained his children according to its pure teachings, all of whom, with the parents, have their names upon the records of St. Andrew's parish, Richmond.

William Joseph Imhoff was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, March 22, 1851. He attended the St. Andrew's school until his thirteenth year, when he began an apprenticeship to learn the cabinet-making trade, at which he soon became quite proficient and which he followed for a little over three years. For a period of ten years he was engaged with the George H. Grant Church Furniture company, Richmond, the greater part of the time as superintendent of their factory, but for some years has been identified with the commercial interests of Richmond as dealer in fancy groceries, etc., being one of the best known men in that line of trade in the city.

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Dryer, of Richmond, was solemnized in St. Andrew's church, May 27, 1873, by Father Hunt. To this union three children have been born: Joseph, Julius and George, all of whom are still with the parents. Mr. Imhoff and family belong to St. Andrew's parish, of which they are earnest and devoted members.

Gerhard Henry Imhoff, paternal grandfather of the subject, was born in Hanover, Germany, July 16, 1775, and died in Richmond, July 20, 1882, aged 107 years and four days.

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**L**EANDER JACKSON, one of the leading painters and decorators of Terre Haute, of which city he is a native, was born August 8, 1851, the son of Benjamin Brice and Margaret (Dibley) Jackson, both parents natives of Indiana. The subject's ancestors, on both sides, came from the eastern part of the United States in a very early day, and were among the pioneers of the Hoosier state. Benjamin B. Jackson died when his son, the subject of this sketch, was seven years old, leaving a widow and four children, all of whom are living at this time.

Leander Jackson was reared in Terre Haute, received a common school education, and, at the age of nine, went to live with an uncle in Wisconsin, in whose family he remained three years, returning at the end of the time to his native city, where he began to learn the trade of painting and decorating. He soon became quite proficient in his chosen calling and followed it, working for different parties, until about the year 1874, when he began contracting, which he has since continued on quite an extensive scale in Terre Haute and other cities. He does all kinds of house painting, graining, frescoing, and general work in his line, giving employment to quite a number of men during the busy seasons. His present place of business, number 413 Ohio street, he opened in 1893, and his trade, already large and lucrative, is constantly increasing.

Mr. Jackson was united in marriage in the year 1874 to Margaret Monaghan, of Terre Haute, who was born in Canada, the daughter of Thomas and Mary Monaghan—a union blessed with

the birth of seven children: Frederick, Thomas, Leander, Catherine, Laura, Mary, and Emma. Mr. Jackson and family are members of St. Joseph parish, in which they are highly respected. To them the interests of religion are paramount; the parents make their own lives correspond to its precepts and spare no reasonable pains in impressing upon the minds of their children the necessity of making their lives measure to the true standard of faith as laid down by the holy church.

Mr. Jackson is a member of branch No. 630, C. K. A., of which he is president and acting treasurer, and he also belongs to the Ancient Order Hibernians and the Y. M. I.

JOSEPH L. INDERRIEDEN, proprietor of the Fairview Exchange, a restaurant at the corner of Hickman street and Fairview avenue, Vincennes, Ind., was born in Teutopolis, Effingham county, Ill., August 11, 1843. His father, Francis Inderrieden, was a native of the grand duchy of Altenberg, Germany, and his mother, who bore the maiden name of Mary Ann Rabe, was born in Hanover. They both came to America in 1836, and in 1839 were married in the Fifth street (Trinity) church at Cincinnati, and lived in Cincinnati up to 1842, when Francis C. Inderrieden was born.

Francis Inderrieden passed eighteen years of his early manhood as a seafaring man, and later became a hairworker. After his marriage he lived seven years in Cincinnati, Ohio, then a year in St. Louis, Mo., and then went to Effingham county, Ill. In 1846 he brought his family to Vincennes, Ind. His wife died in 1852, the mother of seven children, of whom two only reached mature years—our subject and Francis C.—and of these the latter died September 12, 1877, in his thirty-fourth year, leaving the subject as the sole survivor of the family. The father in his later years retired from the farm, and died March 14, 1894.

Joseph L. Inderrieden was educated in St. John's parochial school, Vincennes, his tutor being his maternal grandfather, John Rabe, who had taught for thirty years in Muhlen, Germany, and whose brother, Father Rabe, was priest in charge of a church in

the same place for sixty years. After leaving school, subject learned the baker's trade, in which he was employed at the time of his enlistment, in 1862, in battery A, First Ohio artillery, at Cleveland. He participated in the battles of Perryville, Cartersville, Franklin and others, but, being a baker, was placed on detached duty, and given charge of the government bakery at Chattanooga for six months, and was later employed in a similar position in Nashville, and finally was honorably discharged after a service of three years and eight months.

Mr. Inderrieden was united in marriage, November 2, 1865, with Miss Elizabeth Sophia Buecker, who was born February 2, 1845, in Reisenbach, Prussia. Her parents, Victor and Annie Katherine (Buch) Buecker, started for America with their two children when Mrs. Inderrieden was eighteen months old, but the father died on the voyage and the mother located in Cincinnati with her son, Leo A., who is now engaged in cigarmaking. The mother died at the home of our subject, in Vincennes, January 29, 1886. To Mr. and Mrs. Inderrieden have been born ten children, of whom eight are still living, viz: Leo Frank, Nora (Mrs. Thomas Hayes), Joseph C., Clara A., Almo A., Benjamin J., Annie Dora and Oliver C.; the deceased were named Victor Arthur and Fannie Mary. The eldest son, Leo Frank, is a clerk in Vincennes, Joseph C. is a plumber, and Almo A. is a machinist; the others all live under the parental roof. Mr. Inderrieden has been quite successful as a business man, having carried on bakeries in Cincinnati, Ohio, and Covington, Ky., and in 1870 returned permanently to Vincennes, Ind. Here he engaged in the restaurant business, to which he has since devoted his undivided attention, and he is now the owner of a fine brick business block, beside his residence. In politics he is a republican, and has served six years as a member of the Vincennes city council. Fraternally he is noble grand of Wabash lodge, No. 20, I. O. O. F., also a member of lodge No. 192, B. & P. O. E., and of the I. O. R. M., having been a representative to the grand lodge of the latter order. He is very popular in all his society relations and also with the general public, being free and generous in his disposition and liberal in all his views.

MRS. MARY G. PRENATT has been a resident of Madison, Ind., since August, 1848, and is one of the oldest members of St. Michael's church, of this city. She was born in Lorraine, France, in 1813, bore the maiden name of Seymour, and came to the United States in 1832, and for some years made her home in Pittsburg, Pa. She there met and was married to Francis Prenatt, who was born on the banks of the river Rhine and had preceded Miss Seymour to America by a few years. This union was blessed with seven children, viz: Adaline, who is married to John Mullen and resides in Madison; Elizabeth, who was married to William Eckert, but, with her husband, is now deceased, leaving three children; William died in infancy; Sadie is the wife of Daniel Dougherty; Nettie is married to Charles Green, and lives in St. Louis, Mo.; Mary died in infancy, and Francis died a married man.

Mr. Prenatt was a wholesale and retail liquor dealer in Pittsburg, Pa., and did a very extensive business. He came to Madison in 1848, and here entered upon the same line of business, which he successfully followed until his death, in August, 1867, in the faith of the holy Catholic church. He was a liberal contributor to the support of St. Michael's, of which he had been a member many years, and was active in advancing all matters for the good of his church and its congregation. He was of a charitable disposition, and ever ready to help the needy or unfortunate, irrespective of creed and nationality, and died an honored man. His widow is a lady of many womanly virtues and enjoys the respect of all who have the happiness of being acquainted with her.

JACOB JAHN, the representative of the Toledo (Ohio) Finlay Brewing company at South Bend, Ind., and a pioneer member of St. Mary's church, in the same city, was born in the town of Castellum, Prussia, August 1, 1850, a son of Jacob and Susanna (Welche) Jahn. Jacob Jahn, the father, was born in 1820, was educated in the parochial schools of his native town, and later learned the trade of shoemaking, which he followed until death



FRANCIS PRENATT.





called him away in 1868; the mother, who was born in 1818, is now living with our subject in South Bend, a venerated member of the Catholic church.

Jacob Jahn, the subject of this sketch, was educated in a parochial school, which he attended in his native village until fifteen years of age, and then learned the shoemaker's trade, which he followed in the old country until 1872, when he embarked to America, in company with his mother and his brothers, Charles and Joseph, and, after a passage of three weeks' duration, landed in New York city, whence they all came immediately to South Bend, Ind. Mr. Jahn here secured employment with the Singer Sewing Machine company, with which he remained eight years, and in 1880 engaged in the grocery trade, which he conducted until 1890, when he accepted the agency of the Finlay Brewing company, of Toledo, Ohio, to which he has ever since devoted his time and attention.

The marriage of Mr. Jahn took place in St. Joseph's church, Mishawaka, St. Joseph county, Ind., June 29, 1879, to Miss Barbara Gill, Rev. Father Oechtering being the officiating clergyman. Of the five children that have blessed this union three still live, who are named Theresa, Louisa and Josephine, all three of whom have been reared in the parochial school of St. Mary, at South Bend. Mr. Jahn was one of the organizers of St. John's society, of South Bend, March 25, 1879, was its first recording secretary and is now its president, and has been one of its strongest pillars ever since its incipency. He is also a member of council No. 701, Catholic Knights of America, at South Bend, and is the recording secretary of this council. As a member of St. Mary's German Catholic church he has been especially ardent and active, has served as secretary and treasurer of the congregation, and has also served as a member of its most important secular committees. He was a potent factor in causing the erection of the present house of worship and in the erection of the parsonage and school-building, and has ever used his best efforts in advancing the good work of St. Mary's pastors and congregation. He is an honored citizen, and well deserves the high respect in which he is held in both social and church circles.

MICHAEL A. JACOB, a well-known educator of Brookville, Ind., and an ex-soldier of the Civil war, was born November 7, 1844, in Highland township, Franklin county, four miles south of Brookville, and is a son of Peter and Margaret (Kuhn) Jacob.

Peter Jacob was born in Overnburg parish, Bavaria, Germany, in 1808, came to America in 1837, landing at Baltimore, whence he went overland to Wheeling, W. Va., and thence down the Ohio river to Cincinnati, and from there came to Indiana, where he settled at Blue Creek, Franklin county, where for two or three years he worked on the Whitewater canal, and also, for a short time, at stonecutting. In 1841 he bought a farm on Blue creek, and in 1842 married, at Wolf Creek, Ind., Miss Margaret Kuhn, who was born in Bavaria in 1818, the marriage resulting in the birth of nine children, of whom five are still living, viz: John A., two and a half miles east of Brookville; Mary, wife of William Rieger, of Cincinnati, Ohio; Barbara Margaret, widow of Joseph Groh, of the same city; Minnie Elizabeth, wife of John Vosmeier, of Richmond, Ind., and Michael A., the subject of this sketch. Mrs. Margaret Jacob passed away in 1859, and Peter Jacob married, in June, 1861, Mrs. Catharine Bernhart, née Holz, and continued his farming, teaching school during the winter months, until his own death, which occurred in 1875, when his remains were laid beside those of his wife in St. Philomena cemetery, Wolf Creek.

Michael A. Jacob attended public school until eleven years of age, and then, for three months, the parochial school at St. Peter's, Ind. He was then apprenticed to the cooper's trade, which he followed until August 23, 1862, when he enlisted, under Capt. J. M. Cresswell, at Brookville, in the Eighty-third Indiana volunteer infantry. He served at Memphis, Vicksburg, Chattanooga, Atlanta, in Sherman's march to the sea and in the Carolinas, and in many skirmishes and battles, and at Vicksburg, Miss., July 2, 1863, was seriously injured by the bursting of a shell, two feet from his side. He was honorably discharged June 3rd, 1865, and on returning to Franklin county followed carpentering solely until 1877, since which year he has been teaching school on Blue creek during the winter months. He is also correspondent for several newspapers, making his headquarters in Brookville. He is a devout Catholic.

and was made a trustee of St. Michael's church in 1894. He is also a member of St. Michael's Men's society, was made secretary of St. Joseph's school society in 1888, and is now its president. He is greatly respected by the citizens of Brookville, but still insists on remaining a bachelor.

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REV. EDWARD JAKOB, C. PP. S., formerly pastor of the Church of the Most Precious Blood, of Wanatah, Laporte county, Ind., was born in Ohio in 1859, was educated in Mercer county by the Precious Blood community, was ordained priest in 1883, and was sent as a missionary to Missouri, where he remained six years; he next passed two years in Lawrenceburg, Tenn., then four years in New Riegel, Ohio, and several years in Versailles and at Frenchtown mission, in the same state, working faithfully and zealously in the cause of the church. In February, 1897, he was appointed to the church of the Precious Blood, at Wanatah, which also includes the performance of divine service in the missions of Shimmels, Hamlet and Walkerton, and notwithstanding the onerous nature of his duties, he performed them well and cheerfully and to the incalculable benefit of the parish and missions. He is very much devoted to his work for the church, to the promotion of whose interests he has devoted his life energies, and has been most successful in advancing the spiritual and temporal welfare of his parishioners, in his former parishes, as well as in his present mission at St. Augustine's at Rensselaer, Jasper county, in charge of which he was placed February 1, 1898.

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IGNATIUS JARBOE, a prominent citizen of Brazil, Clay county, and a worthy member of the church of the Annunciation, was born in Vigo county, Ind., near St. Mary's, August 14, 1841.

Peter Jarboe, father of Ignatius, was a native of Kentucky, and, as nearly as can be ascertained, his parents were born in Maryland and were of French descent. Peter married, in Ken-

tucky, about 1826, Miss Anne Elder, a native of the state, and to this union were born fourteen children, of whom the names of those who reached maturity will be enumerated further on. In 1842 Mr. and Mrs. Jarboe came to Indiana and settled in the township of Sugar Creek, Vigo county, where Mr. Jarboe entered a tract of government land and followed farming until his death, which took place in St. Mary's, in February, 1874, his wife having been called away some years previously. Mr. Jarboe was a typical pioneer, an esteemed citizen and an altogether worthy gentleman. Of the fourteen children alluded to above, ten reached adult age, of whom five are deceased, and were named as follows: John, who died when about twenty-two years old; William, who located in Brazil about 1866, was identified with the early history of the church of the Annunciation, and died at the age of fifty-eight years, leaving a wife and daughter; Celestine died at Carbondale, Ill., at the age of about forty-eight years; Stanislaus, the youngest of the sons, served in the war of the Rebellion as a member of the First Indiana infantry, and lost his life in a gunboat engagement near New Orleans, in the early part of the war, when he was about twenty-one years of age; Mrs. Susan Murphy died in Terre Haute, Ind., several years ago. The five surviving children are: Mrs. Martha Michael, of St. Mary's; Mrs. Mary Aue and Mrs. Philomena Ross, of the same place; Simon, of Dayton, Ohio, and Ignatius, whose name stands at the head of this biographical mention.

Ignatius Jarboe was reared on the home farm until he reached the age of eighteen years, rendering very valuable assistance in its cultivation up to that time. In August, 1859, he went to Terre Haute, where, August 15, 1862, he enlisted in company C, Eighty-fifth regiment Indiana volunteer infantry, and served until the close of the war, taking part in all the marches and engagements in which his regiment had a share, with the exception, only, of those which occurred when he was confined in hospital at Louisville, Ky., in consequence of a severe flesh wound sustained at Dallas Woods, Ga., in May, 1864, for which he was under treatment until late in the following summer. During the winter of 1864-5 he was on duty at Gen. Cruft's headquarters, in Chattanooga, Tenn., and in March, 1865, proceeded, via rail, to Nashville, and thence

via the Cumberland and Ohio rivers to Parkersburg, West Va., then on to Washington and Alexandria, on the Potomac river, and down the river and via the Atlantic ocean to Morehead City, N. C., from which place he marched 100 miles to Goldsboro, and joined Sherman's command. The war closing soon afterward, Mr. Jarboe joined the Sherman march to Washington, D. C., where he took part in the triumphal parade, or review, in May, 1865, and received an honorable discharge, after making an excellent military record. Mr. Jarboe returned to Terre Haute in the spring of 1866, where he remained a short time only, and then went to Tennessee, and later to Arkansas, in both of which states he engaged in farming, but returned to Indiana, and August 3, 1868, became a resident of Brazil, and until 1876 engaged in mercantile trade. He then entered the insurance and real-estate business, which he has profitably conducted up to the present time, and his experience in the real-estate business has led to his appointment as secretary of the Citizens' Building & Loan association of Brazil, in the promotion of which he has been an active factor.

The marriage of Mr. Jarboe was solemnized June 18, 1878, with Miss Nancy Z. Lightfoot, a native of Illinois, and a daughter of Thornton Lightfoot, formerly of Kentucky. Mr. Jarboe and wife are among the most respected citizens of Brazil, and Clay county has no contributor more liberal than he to the support of Annunciation parish and the good work of the church. In politics he is a democrat, but has never been an office seeker, preferring to give his active attention to his private business affairs rather than waste his time in pursuit of doubtful political honors.

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**B**ERNARD J. T. JEUP, the present efficient engineer of the city of Indianapolis, residing at No. 121 Highland avenue, is a son of John B. Jeup, editor of the German Telegraph, whose biography appears elsewhere in this work. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, August 17, 1864, and was well educated in the primary branches of study in the public schools of that city, and graduated from the high schools in 1883. For one year following he was a

student in the university of Cincinnati, and in 1887 graduated from the engineering department of Columbia college, New York city. For five years he was in practice as a civil engineer and at the same time was sanitary engineer for the board of health of New York city. Resigning his position in 1892, he accepted the position of assistant city engineer in the city of Indianapolis, and was appointed to the position of city civil engineer in 1895, and re-appointed for two years from October, 1897. The duties of that office he has discharged in a most acceptable manner and has the confidence of the entire city government. With the increasing population of the city from year to year these duties steadily increase in difficulty and importance, and require at all times a high order of talent, and that Mr. Jeup is fully competent to fill the position he occupies is evident from the success with which he has met and from the complete confidence reposed in him.

Mr. Jeup is married and is a worthy and esteemed member of the Holy Cross parish.

CHARLES JOHNSON, of Batesville, express agent, cigar manufacturer, insurance agent, and proprietor of the Democratic Herald, is a son of William and Elizabeth (Krugmann) Johnson, of Germany, who came to the United States in 1840, locating at Cincinnati, where the father worked until he died in 1874, and the mother in 1842, in confinement.

Charles Johnson was born September 17, 1842, in Cincinnati, attended the common schools, and engaged in the cigar trade in 1855; he next followed farming awhile, and then again engaged in the cigar trade in 1859. He was married, first, to Miss Margaret Millien, of Cincinnati, who died by accident on her way to church, in front of the door, May 10, 1893. He was next married to Mary Kirschner, a daughter of Frank and Mary Kirschner, of Morris, Ind. By his first wife he has five children, viz: William, now bookkeeper for a brewery; Magdalena, now Mrs. Nusbaumer, of Montpelier, Ind.; Elizabeth, now the wife of Bernhard Fisher; Charles L., cashier of the Batesville bank, and Matilda. Charles is the corresponding secretary for the Knights of St. John, and has

been since 1896. Mr. Johnson is one of the most enterprising and successful business men of Batesville and enjoys the respect of the entire community.

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**J**OHNS WILLIAM JOHNSON, prominent and active among the young men in the work of the Catholic church at Kokomo, is the son of John and Anna (Eagan) Johnson, natives respectively of county Tyrone and county Queens, Ireland, who came to the United States in early life and were married at Stonington, Conn. A few years following their marriage, the parents of our subject came to Indiana, locating in Logansport in the early 'sixties, shortly afterward removing to Kokomo, where they have since resided, owning a pleasant home there. Though past sixty-three years of age the father pursues an industrious life, being actively engaged in market gardening. Upon his first arrival in Kokomo he was engaged in railway construction, for some time being section foreman at Kokomo. To John and Anna Johnson were born seven children, six of whom are living: Sarah, the oldest, was born in Stonington, Conn., is the wife of Erastus Stockhaus, of Washington, Ind., and has one child, Effie; Tillie, born in Kokomo, is the wife of Leopold Kupferschmid, of Memphis, Tenn.; John W., our subject, born in Kokomo; Walter, Albert and Carrie, also born in Kokomo. The elder Johnson was reared a Protestant in the north of Ireland, but upon his marriage became converted and accepted the Catholic faith.

John William Johnson was born in Kokomo, December 22, 1866. He was educated in the Catholic parochial schools at this place, and at the age of fifteen entered upon an apprenticeship to the molder's trade in the foundry of Ford & Donnelly, of which he is now and for some years past has been foreman, having held that responsible position since he was twenty-two years of age.

Mr. Johnson was married on August 13, 1894, at Huron, Ohio, Father Horst officiating, to Miss Elenor Krebser, a native of Tremont, Ohio, daughter of John and Elizabeth Krebser. To them was born one child, Agatha, who died at the age of sixteen months and seventeen days.

Our subject owns a pleasant residence at 267 North Fremont street, the fruit of his own industry. His popularity in the church and its auxiliary branches is attested by his position of president to the Catholic Benevolent legion and of treasurer to the Father Mathew T. A. society, both of which offices he has held with honor to himself and satisfaction and to his constituency.

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JAMES F. JORDAN, of Washington, Daviess county, Ind., is a native of the Hoosier state, and was born in Jasper county, September 12, 1845, a son of John and Sarah (Thomas) Jordan, the former of whom was born in Greenbrier county, Va. (now W. Va.), in 1802.

John Jordan, in his early manhood, came from his native state to Indiana and for a short time lived in Tippecanoe county, whence he moved to Jasper county, where he bought a farm. In due course of time he crossed the state line for the purpose of marrying Miss Sarah Thomas, who was then living in Iroquois county, Ill., but who was a native of Indiana. He then settled permanently on his Jasper county, Ind., farm, and there died in 1865, a wealthy and highly respected citizen. The children born to Mr. and Mrs. John Jordan were six in number, and in order of birth were named as follows: Joseph T., James F. (subject), William H., John B. (deceased), Samuel M. and Josephine (the last named also deceased).

James F. Jordan, the gentleman with whom this memoir has most to do, gave due attention to his schooling until fifteen years of age, and from that time forward assisted in cultivating the home farm until 1867, about which time he went to Batesville, the county seat of Independence county, Ark., where he was engaged in the livery business until 1871, when he became an employee of the Johnson & Romela Circus company, with which he traveled two years as boss canvasman. This circus company went to pieces, eventually, in Washington, Ind., leaving Mr. Jordan in the lurch. Here Mr. Jordan, during the winter and spring of 1874-75, took employment in a livery stable, and was next an employee of the



Sells Bros.' Circus company until the close of 1883; in 1884 he was with the Adam Forepaugh show, and again with Sells Bros. from 1885 until November 21, 1896, when he became allied with the B. E. Wallace show for the season of 1897, and in 1898 again returned to Sells Bros.

January 13, 1874, Mr. Jordan married in Washington, Ind., Miss Mary Buckley, a native of the city, born November 13, 1843, a daughter of Patrick and Mary (Cody) Buckley, the result of this union being one child—John—who has been an employee of the Sells Bros.' Circus company since 1894. The family are good and true Catholics and are members of St. Simon's church, of which Mrs. Jordan is a member of the Altar society. Mr. Jordan has not been unfortunate in his nomadic life, as far as this world's goods are concerned, as he now owns five city residences and forty acres of land in Barr township.

**PATRICK A. JOYCE**, a popular business man of South Bend, Ind., was born in county Waterford, Ireland, November 30, 1865, a son of William and Mary (Ormand) Joyce.

William Joyce was born in 1824, was educated in the parochial schools, which he attended until fifteen years of age, and was then employed in farming. In 1847 he married Miss Ormand, who was born in 1831, and this union was blessed with eleven children, of whom eight are still living, viz: Edward, who lives in Colorado, and Katie, Mary, Nellie, Maggie, Elizabeth, James and Patrick, who all reside in South Bend. The father of this family continued his farming operations in the old country until 1866, when he came to this country, landing in New York city, and thence coming directly to South Bend.

Patrick A. Joyce, who was a babe when the family reached this city, was educated in St. Joseph's parochial school, which he attended until thirteen years old, and from 1879 until June, 1881, attended Notre Dame college. Returning to South Bend, he was apprenticed to the machinist's trade with Sibley & Ware, and remained with this firm until 1891, when he opened his present favorite resort.

The marriage of Mr. Joyce was celebrated by Rev. Father Stoffel, at St. Joseph's church, when he was united in wedlock with Miss Mary Costello, January 12, 1897. Mr. Joyce is an active member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and of the Catholic Knights of America, and he and wife, his parents, and all his family, are devoted members of St. Joseph's church, to the support of which they are most liberal contributors. In politics Mr. Joyce is an ardent democrat and is exceedingly popular with his party, which elected him, in 1894, a member of the South Bend board of councilmen from the Fourth ward, to serve a term of four years. He is one of the most progressive young men of the city, is genial and affable, and is prospering in his business, which he conducts in the most orderly manner possible.

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**W**ILLIAM KAOUGH, a prominent business man of Fort Wayne, Ind., was born in Washington township, Allen county, June 11, 1843. His father, Nicholas Kaough, was born in Ireland in 1800, and came to Allen county more than a half century ago, and was one of those who cleared away the timber from the present site of the cathedral. He married Margaret Brown, who was born in Ireland in 1823, and they had eight children, all of whom attained their majority. William was the second born. The father died in 1867, but the mother is still living, making her home in Fort Wayne.

William Kaough has been a resident of the county during his entire life, was reared on the farm of his parents in Washington township, and educated in the public schools. In 1872 he removed to Fort Wayne, became engaged in the agricultural implement trade, in which he was quite successful, taking a prominent place among the active business men of the city. His interest in political affairs has always been an absorbing one, and he has done the democratic party valuable service. In 1885 he acted as chairman of the democratic central committee. In August, 1885, he was appointed postmaster by President Cleveland, and the functions of this important office were by him ably and faithfully performed.

until July 13, 1889, when he resumed the agricultural implement trade, of which he has made a more decided success than he had previously done. He is a devout Catholic and a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and is a highly respected citizen as well as a useful one.

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PETER G. KAMP, manager of the Southern Indiana Gas company at Shelbyville, Ind., was born in Hardin county, Ky., August 10, 1852, and is a son of William H. and Ellen (Johnson) Kamp—the former a native of Pennsylvania and the latter of Hardin county, Ky.

William H. Kamp and Ellen Johnson were united in matrimony in Clear Creek parish, Colesburg, Hardin county, in 1847, by Rev. Father Coomes, and there Mr. Kamp engaged in general merchandising and farming until his death, which occurred in 1861. Their marriage was blessed with eight children, viz: Mary C., wife of Robert D. Strother, of Dallas, Tex.; Francis M., wife of Robert W. Lavelly, of Kentucky; Amelia, deceased; Peter G., whose name opens this biography; William J., of Louisville, Ky.; James H., of Colesburg, Ky.; Cora, also of Colesburg; and Alice, deceased. The father of this family was a prominent and influential citizen of Colesburg, and acquired quite a large estate. After the loss of her husband, Mrs. Kamp retained her residence in Colesburg until 1865, when she removed with her family to Louisville, Ky., where she resided until 1890, when she returned to the old homestead. In the early part of January, 1895, she paid a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Mary C. Strother, in Dallas, Tex., and there her death took place on the 25th day of the month mentioned—her mortal remains being transported to Louisville, Ky., for interment in St. Louis cemetery. She was a true Catholic, and in this faith had reared all her children.

Peter G. Kamp attended the parochial school in Colesburg until about thirteen years old, when the family removed to Louisville, where he was placed under private instruction for two years, or until fifteen years of age, after which he was employed as clerk for various firms until 1872, when he was employed as superin-

tendent for the American White Lead company of Louisville. Here he attended night school, and was prepared for commercial study, and eventually graduated from the Southern Business college of Louisville. He continued with the white lead company until 1883, when he went to Georgetown, Colo., where he was engaged in mining and hotel clerking for fifteen months, then clerked in a hotel in Denver fifteen months, and then returned to Louisville, Ky., where for a year he was employed in looking after private interests. During the year 1887 he had charge of the Kentucky public grain elevator at Louisville, and in 1888 was manager of the Falls City distillery, in the same city. In 1889 he came to Shelbyville, Ind., to assume charge as manager, of the Southern Indiana Gas company's business, which he has since most successfully conducted.

Mr. Kamp is the owner of residence property in Shelbyville and owns stock in the gas company; he owns 400 acres of farm land in Hardin county, Ky., owns residence property in Botland and in Colesburg and a farm near Bardstown, in the same state; residence property in Dallas, Tex., and partly developed gold and silver mining property in Georgetown, Colo. He is a member of St. Joseph's church of Shelbyville, and was formerly president of St. Vincent de Paul society, Louisville, Ky., and has always been very generous in his donations to the church and active in assisting its work for good. In politics he is a democrat.

**J**OHAN ANTON KAPPS, one of the most widely known young business men in Vincennes, was born in this city June 26, 1875, the son of Stephen and Mary (Bertrand) Kapps.

A work of this character would be incomplete without a fitting word concerning the family of the late and lamented Stephen Kapps, so long pillars and honored members of St. John's German Catholic church. Both Mr. and Mrs. Kapps were Alsatians. The former came to America while quite a young man and settled on a farm near Vincennes, upon which he lived and which he profitably cultivated until his retirement from active labor in 1885, at which time he moved his family into the city and established a pleasant

home. His death occurred in August, 1894. He was twice married, his first wife leaving him no children. His second marriage was solemnized in St. John's church in 1872. To this union the following children were born: Teresa, John A. (subject), Dora, Adelia and Mary, all of whom reside at home, the youngest being still in school. Stephen Kapps was a man of excellent qualities and high character. He was a warm supporter of St. John's church, contributing liberally of his considerable means to the work of the church, and took an active interest also in public affairs and all matters pertaining to the good of the city. He was a stanch democrat, and an earnest worker in the party, though not an office seeker. His only son, John Anton Kapps, has inherited his worthy father's political predilections.

John A. Kapps received an excellent general and business education in his youth, availing himself of all the advantages offered in St. John's parochial school, St. Francis' Cathedral school, and in the city public schools. He early indicated a liking for the tailor's trade and passed a thorough apprenticeship in the art sartorial, familiarizing himself with all the details of the trade. On October 20, 1895, he established himself in the merchant tailoring way and has been singularly and gratifyingly successful, notwithstanding the period of financial depression which has marked the interim. This deserved success is largely due to his practical methods of conducting his business. He makes a specialty of select and seasonable stock and his master ability as a cutter is exemplified in the neatness of the work which goes from his establishment, and which is a distinctive mark of a "Kapps" suit. He employs a force of six experienced and skillful garment makers and enjoys a constantly growing trade.

Mr. Kapps is a very agreeable and companionable young man and is as popular socially as he is prosperous and progressive commercially, being highly esteemed in society by reason of his many excellent qualities of head and heart. He is a member of branch No. 533, C. K. of A., and was formerly treasurer of the St. Joseph's branch, which was merged into the former. He is also a member of the Young Men's institute, council No. 256, of which he is the financial secretary.

JACOB JOSEPH KASPER, a popular grocer, and a member of the city council of Madison, Ind., was born in Allegheny City, Pa., April 2, 1851, and is a son of Nicholas and Frances Kasper, natives, respectively, of Prussia and Hesse Cassel, now portions of united Germany.

Nicholas Kasper, paternal grandfather of Jacob Joseph, was a wheelwright, came to the United States with his family in 1836, and located in Allegheny City, where he resided until 1852, when he came to Indiana and settled in Cannelton. He followed his trade until well advanced in life, when he retired and passed his days in comfort until his death, which occurred in 1863, at the age of eighty-four years—his widow surviving until 1866, when she died at the age of eighty.

Nicholas Kasper, father of subject, was born in 1830, came to America with his parents, and learned cotton-spinning in the mills of Allegheny City. His marriage took place in 1850, and in 1852 he came to Cannelton, Ind., where he continued to work at his trade until about 1893, when he retired. To his marriage were born five children, viz: Jacob Joseph, whose name opens this notice, Matthias A., of Madison, and three who died before attaining their majority.

Jacob Joseph Kasper was but eleven years of age when he entered a cotton-mill, in which he worked until nineteen years old, and then served an apprenticeship of four years at harnessmaking. He then returned to the city of his birth and worked in a cotton-mill until 1885, when he came to Madison and superintended the removal of the Eagle Cotton-mills to this city, and held the superintendency until 1887, when he resigned and became superintendent of the mills at Charlotte, N. C.—leaving his family at Madison the meanwhile—and in the fall of 1888 returned to Madison to care for his interest in a grocery, in which he had purchased a share in 1886. In 1889 he became the sole proprietor of this store, which he has since successfully conducted, and in the fall of 1890 again assumed the superintendency of the Eagle mills, which employ about 300 hands—and in these two capacities his time has ever since been unremittingly devoted.

The marriage of Mr. Kasper was solemnized May 8, 1877.

with Miss Elizabeth Schuetz, who was born in Allegheny City, March 26, 1851, a daughter of Andrew and Elizabeth Schuetz, and this union has resulted in the birth of thirteen children, viz: Matthias, Frances, Cecelia (deceased), Mary, Francis Joseph, William Frederick (died an infant), Louisa, Elizabeth, Matilda, Aloysius, Catherine, Margaret and Agnes M. The family are members of St. Mary's church, and in politics Mr. Kasper is a democrat, now representing his party from the Second ward in the city council. Mr. Kasper is also president of Madison council, No. 287, Y. M. I., and grand treasurer in the Indiana jurisdiction, and no man stands higher in the public esteem than he.

PHILIP KASTNER, proprietor of the Jasper opera house and also engaged in other business, is a son of Michael and Anna (Meyer) Kastner, natives of Germany, where the father died in 1848. Philip was born in Germany April 16, 1846, and came to New Orleans with his mother in June, 1863, and finally located in Louisville, Ky. He first engaged in the milling trade and then worked for R. A. Robinson & Co., at Louisville, in which employ he remained for eleven years, and then was employed by J. B. Wilder & Co., of the same city, for two and one-half years. He then went to farming in Dubois county, Ind., Jackson township, where he bought a 200-acre place, and this occupied his attention for nine years. He was elected township trustee of Jackson township in 1891, and served two and one-half years, then resigned to move to Jasper. In 1893, he bought out the proprietor of the Enthofen place and built the present opera house, in connection with a hotel. In 1897 he was elected trustee of Bainbridge township, or city of Jasper, being in politics a democrat.

Mr. Kastner was married January 15, 1866, to Catherine C. Trand, a daughter of E. Trand, of Spencer county, and to this union have been born thirteen children, of whom six are still living, viz: Sophia (who married Martin Miller, of Jasper), Philip, George, Sebastian, Edward and Anna. The family are all pious members of St. Joseph church and are very attentive to their religious and social obligations.

**JAMES F. QUIGLEY**, superintendent of the police force of Indianapolis, was born in Boston, Mass., March 22, 1860, a son of John and Kate (Cullen) Quigley, natives of county Galway, Ireland.

John Quigley, immediately after his marriage in the old country, brought his bride to America, and for six years lived in Boston, where he was a transportation contractor in the employ of the United States Express company. After the close of the Civil war, he removed to Toledo, Ohio, where he was employed in the same business until he came to Indianapolis, November 1, 1873, and here his beloved wife passed away in August, 1890, at the age of fifty-three years and a devout member of the Catholic church. Mr. Quigley, now aged about sixty-four years, is living in quiet retirement at No. 12 Torbett street, greatly esteemed by his neighbors and his fellow-citizens generally. Eleven children blessed the marriage of John Quigley and Kate Cullen, viz: James F., whose name opens this article; Mary J., now Mrs. John M. Brooks, whose husband is a commercial traveler, of Des Moines, Iowa; Anna, a milliner of Indianapolis, and unmarried; Theresa, employed in a dry-goods store on Woodward avenue, Detroit, Mich.; John J., a paperhanger of Indianapolis, and married; Michael A. and William, also paperhangers and married, and both in Chicago, Ill.; Charles, a grocery clerk in Chicago; Edward, an employee in a Chicago hotel; Clara, residing with her sister Anna, and Katie, the last named of whom died in infancy, and whose remains lie interred beside those of her mother in Holy Cross cemetery, in Indianapolis.

James F. Quigley for five years attended St. Patrick's parochial school at Toledo, Ohio, under the tuition of Rev. Father Hannon, and then attended a Toledo commercial college, where he was under Prof. Joseph Jordan for three years. On coming to Indianapolis, at the age of sixteen years, he was employed at King's packing house, where he learned the trade of cutter, and was the best in the city without foreign help, he thoroughly mastered this branch of the business, at which he continued from 1873 until 1883, receiving a large salary. In the last-named year he was appointed a member of the metropolitan police force, which





*Jas. F. Quigley*



had just been organized, and in December of the same year was promoted to be sergeant. In 1889 he was legislated out of office and was off the force for six months. In January, 1890, the detective force was organized, of which he was appointed a member. February 11, 1891, he was appointed captain of police, and frequently acted as superintendent; September 20, 1897, he was appointed acting superintendent, and October 20, 1897, was appointed superintendent, which position he now fills to the satisfaction of the citizens of Indianapolis.

The marriage of Capt. Quigley was celebrated November 2, 1881, by Very Rev. Father Bessonies, at the parochial residence of St. John's church, with Miss Margaret B. Truman, a native of Detroit, Mich., and of Scotch-Irish ancestry. This union has been blessed with four children, viz: Frances, aged thirteen years, Edna Theresa, aged ten; James Albert, aged five, and Mary Louise, aged two years. Supt. Quigley and family are members of St. Joseph's church, under the pastorate of Rev. Father Alerding. He was for several years a member of the Knights of Father Mathew, of which he was an officer, and has always been a total abstainer from the use of intoxicants, following, in this respect, the commendable example of his honored father. He and family have a delightful home at No. 1009 Ash street, where they enjoy the society of a wide circle of true and warm-hearted friends, by whom they are held in the highest esteem, and they are, beside, numbered among the most respected residents of the parish.

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**D**ANIEL E. KAUFFMAN, M. D., of Monroeville, Allen county, Ind., was born in Ohio, March 4, 1862, a son of Emanuel and Adeline (Keener) Kauffman, of whom the former was called from earth October 3, 1863.

Dr. Kauffman, one of the ten children born to his parents, passed his youthful years on the home farm, received his elementary education in the district school, and at the age of eighteen years entered Fort Wayne (Ind.) Medical college, whence he passed to the Medical college at Columbus, Ohio, from which he graduated

March 10, 1891, and at once located for practice in Monroeville, where he has succeeded in securing a remunerative patronage. April 24, 1884, Dr. Kauffman was happily united in marriage with Miss Theresa Brady, and this union has been blessed with four children—Clara E., Theresa A., Rose E., and Daniel E., all of whom are being reared in the faith of the Catholic church, of which the doctor and his wife have also been life-long members. The doctor is also president of the St. Joseph Benevolent association, and in politics is a democrat. He owns a very pleasant residence, and his standing, as well as that of his wife, is with the best social circles of Monroeville, and his professional merits are universally recognized as being of the highest order.

GEORGE KAUPPERT, a well-known and prosperous cooper of Mishawaka, Ind., is a native of Elsendorf, Bavaria, Germany, was born May 17, 1830, and is a son of Thomas and Catherine (Kaiser) Kauppert. The father was born in Fulkenstorf, Bavaria, in 1800, was reared a farmer, and was married, in 1827, in the parish of Loreni, Elsendorf, to Miss Kaiser, who was born in the latter village in 1802, and to this union were born three children: John, George and Sebastian. The father died in Elsendorf in 1834, and the mother in 1848, both in the faith of the Catholic church.

George Kauppert quit the parochial school in his native village at the age of twelve years and followed farming until about twenty-four years old, when he embarked for America, landing in Baltimore, Md., in 1854, after a voyage of thirty-three days' duration. He remained in the Monumental city three years, came to Mishawaka July 29, 1857, and here learned the cooper's trade, which he has since followed with unusual success, now owning a first-class cooperage.

January 13, 1855, Mr. Kauppert was united in marriage, in St. Michael's church, Baltimore, Md., by Father Miller, with Miss Barbara Gill, and to this union were born two children—Margaret and George, both now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Kauppert are

pious Catholics and are members of St. Joseph's congregation, Mishawaka, to the support of which they are very liberal in their contributions. Mr. Kauppert is highly esteemed as a good and useful citizen, and respected for his industry and sobriety, which have brought him a comfortable competency.

MRS. MARGARET T. KAVANAUGH, of Cannelburg, Daviess county, Ind., and a leading member of St. Peter's church, was born in St. Mary's parish, county Wexford, Ireland, in December, 1840, the eldest of five children born to John and Mary (Lannen) Nolan, of which family three, beside herself, are still living, viz: Patrick, a farmer of Barr township, Daviess county; Catherine, wife of Michael O. Moran, of St. John's parish, and Julia, of Barr township.

John Nolan, also a native of county Wexford, Ireland, came to America about 1850, a year or two in advance of his family, and came directly to Daviess county, where he worked on the canal until his death, which occurred soon after his arrival, and when he was about thirty-four years of age. Margaret T. Nolan (now Mrs. Kavanaugh) came to America with the family in 1852, and landed at New Orleans from the ship George Greene, after a voyage of seven weeks and two days. By steamboat they reached Evansville, Ind., whence they came in wagons to Daviess county, the country then being quite a wilderness. She was here confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais, and frequently thereafter walked a long distance to hear mass at St. Peter's by Father Piers, whom she greatly honored, and who was the pioneer priest of southern Indiana, being at that time the officiating clergyman.

The marriage of Miss Margaret T. Nolan to Timothy Kavanaugh, a native of county Kildare, Ireland, was solemnized at Washington, Ind., May 10, 1866, by Rev. Father Chassic. To this marriage were born: Patrick William, who was confirmed by Bishop Chatard and was educated by Father Piers and in the common schools; John T., who received a common-school education, is a mechanic by nature, and resides with his mother; Maggie was

confirmed at the age of thirteen (John T. being confirmed in the same class), and was educated in the common schools of Montgomery. Timothy is a pupil in the Jasper Benedictine school. Lawrence Bartholomew is at home and is attending school, and Mary Ellen is deceased.

When Mr. and Mrs. Kavanaugh began housekeeping they were in rather poor circumstances, but they "pooled together," and at the death of Mr. Kavanaugh, August 20, 1873, they had acquired 520 acres of land in Hart township and a fine residence. Since the death of her husband, Mrs. Kavanaugh, by her thrift and good management, has purchased eighty additional acres. Mr. Kavanaugh was about sixty-eight years of age at the time of his death, and his grave, in St. Peter's cemetery, is marked by a fine Swedish granite monument, erected by his sorrowing widow and children. In politics he was a consistent democrat, but never aspired to office. Without the prestige of political fame, however, he was extremely popular in his township, and his loss was deeply deplored by a large circle of immediate friends and the public at large. Mrs. Kavanaugh is strict in her religious duties, contributes freely to the support of St. Peter's, and is universally respected for her many womanly virtues.

EDWARD KEARNEY, deceased, was one of the early settlers of Bainbridge, Putnam county, Ind., and one of the most highly respected Catholic residents of the city. He was born in county Clare, Ireland, about the year 1825, and was a lad when he came to America. For some little time before coming to Indiana he sojourned in Vermont and Ohio, coming hither from Bellefontaine in the last named state. He married, in Crawfordsville, Mrs. Catherine McFarthy, a widow, whose maiden name was McCann, and to this union one child, Ella, was born, but Mrs. Kearney was the mother, by her first husband, of a daughter, who now resides in Crawfordsville. Mr. Kearney was a quiet, unassuming gentleman, who was possessed of more than ordinary natural intelligence, and was very fond of reading. He was regular in his

church attendance and very liberal in his contributions to its support, and died in the faith at his home in Bainbridge, June 26, 1892, honored and esteemed by all who knew him, and in 1897 was followed to the grave by his estimable wife.

Although, as stated above, Mr. and Mrs. Kearney were blessed with one child, they adopted as their own a four-year-old girl, now an accomplished and amiable young lady, and known as Miss Mary Kearney. She is of a most affectionate disposition, and used every effort to reciprocate the love and care bestowed upon her by her adopted parents. She had her home with Mrs. Kearney in Bainbridge until the latter's death, and it was her sole pleasure to yield to this lady, in her declining years, the wealth of her affectionate and sympathizing nature. Well educated in the public school of Bainbridge and the State normal school, she became herself an educator, and had her most successful school at St. Louis, where she was retained one year, but is now teaching in the public school of Bainbridge, where she was permitted the gratification of being close to the lady who adopted her as a daughter in her childhood, and of being with her at the close.

**JOHN KEATING**, who resides at No. 2011 Harrison street, Indianapolis, and is a trustee of St. Patrick's parish, has been a resident of the Railroad city since 1872, being now about sixty-one years of age, and a native of county Kerry, Ireland.

The parents of John Keating, Daniel and Catherine Keating, came to America at different times, the father and several of his children reaching this country before the others. August 3, 1833, John, our subject, his mother, and the latter's sister, who were the last of the family to come, landed in New Orleans, only to find that the father had already reached the realm of event and glory. From New Orleans the mother and her family went to Cincinnati, Ohio, and at Newport, Ky., across the Ohio river from Cincinnati. Mrs. Keating, the mother, was called from the home of our subject to the brighter life above. The only remaining members of the family are John, and two sisters, Jane and Alice, the latter the wife of John Noonan, of Newport, Ky.

John Keating, in his early manhood, traveled extensively throughout the southern and western states of the Union, but finally settled in Indianapolis, and has here followed railroad work the greater part of the time since. November 16, 1876, he married Mrs. Ellen Sullivan, widow of Michael Sullivan, and whose maiden name was Connors. Mr. and Mrs. Keating are members of St. Patrick's congregation and are pious and worthy Catholics. About the time Mr. Keating was appointed a trustee of the parish Rev. Father D. O'Donaghue was intrusted to the cure of souls in the parish mentioned, and both have been fast friends until the present day. Mr. and Mrs. Keating have, beside this reverend gentleman, many close and warm friends in the city, and enjoy the respect and esteem of them all, as well as the respect of the residents of the parish in general.

CAPT. JOHN KEATING, of hook and ladder company No. 2, Indianapolis city fire department, was born in London, England, February 2, 1854, and in 1856 was brought to America by his parents, Jeffrey and Katherine (Burke) Keating, who settled in Indianapolis, with their two English-born children.

Jeffrey Keating was born in county Kerry, Ireland, about 1820, and Katherine Burke in London in 1829, and their marriage took place in the English metropolis; there two of their children were born, four others coming to bless their union after their arrival in Indianapolis. Of these six, Jeffrey died in 1880; John is the subject of this sketch; Joseph is in business at the corner of Indiana and First streets; Kate died in young womanhood; Patrick resides in this city, and Mary died at sixteen years of age. Jeffrey Keating, the father of this family, was called from earth in 1886, a devout member of the Catholic church; his widow, who is in the enjoyment of excellent health, makes her home with her son, John, our subject.

The early years of Capt. John Keating were spent as a news-boy, and at the age of thirteen years he was employed to drive a team, hauling building material, and was next employed as a heater



in a city rolling mill, but found time to secure a public-school education. In 1872 he was united in marriage, at St. John's church, by Rev. Father Bessonies, to Miss Margaret Hefferan, a native of county Kildare, Ireland, who came to Indianapolis in childhood. To Mr. and Mrs. Keating have been born two children—Katie, born April 3, 1883, and John L., born February 9, 1887. In 1881, Capt. Keating engaged in the saloon business, in which he passed two years, and February 2, 1884, he was appointed driver of hose wagon No. 4 for the city fire department; in 1891 he was promoted to be captain of chemical company No. 3; in July, 1892, he took charge of engine company No. 4, and February 6, 1897, was transferred to the command of his present company—thus having spent thirteen years of his life as a gallant fireman, fighting to save, not to destroy. He had had, however, some little experience in the army, as he ran away from home, following his brother Jeffrey, who was a drummer-boy in the Nineteenth Indiana regulars during the Civil war. Capt. Keating reached the regiment at Murfreesboro, Tenn., but was not permitted to enlist, on account of his extreme youth, but he remained with the regiment about eighteen months, and was known as the regimental mascot. During the Fenian troubles the captain went out as a private, being at the time a member of the old Emmett Guards, crossed over from Buffalo, N. Y., to Canada, but soon returned.

Capt. Keating and family are members of the church of the Sacred Heart, and he is also a member of the Capital City lodge, No. 97, Knights of Pythias. In politics he is a republican, and for twelve years was a committeeman of the Twenty-fifth ward. His residence is at No. 223 East Morris street, and his is one of the greatly respected families of Sacred Heart parish.

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JOSEPH A. KEBLER, an esteemed citizen and member of Holy Cross parish, and manager for R. G. Dun & Co.'s Mercantile agency, was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1861. His parents, Gottlieb and Josephine Kebler, were worthy Catholics, the former dying in Cincinnati in 1876. In this city the subject of this

sketch passed his early life, supplementing his common-school education with a practical course of study in a commercial college and also by a course in the college of St. Xavier, of Cincinnati. Since 1877 Mr. Kebler has been connected with his present business, and since 1892 he has been manager for the company at Indianapolis.

Mr. Kebler was married in 1889 at Newport, Ky., where he was located for several years, to Miss Delia Malone, who died in 1896. He has a daughter, Helen, born December 31, 1890. Mr. Kebler is a well-read, progressive and worthy citizen, and resides with his mother and two sisters (Carolyn and Louise) at No. 1236 East Washington street.

**J**OSEPH F. KEATING, at the corner of Indiana avenue and Lock street, receiving his mail at No. 964 Indiana avenue, Indianapolis, was born in this city October 28, 1859. He is a son of Jeffrey and Catherine (Burke) Keating, the former a native of county Kerry, Ireland, and the latter of London, England, their marriage taking place in the latter city, in which place the eldest two of their children were born.

Jeffrey Keating was a mail carrier in London, and when he came to the United States, in 1836, he left his wife and children in England until such time as he should be able to send for them. For two or three years he worked at various kinds of employment and in different places, and when joined by his family he had located at Indianapolis, where he died in 1888. In religious views he was a Catholic, was devoted to his church, and assisted in the organization of the first sodality in St. John's Catholic church in Indianapolis. He was one of the organizers of St. Patrick's parish, a solicitor of funds, and a liberal contributor to the building fund. At the time of his death he was seventy-eight years of age. His widow is a woman well preserved, in possession of her physical and mental vigor, active in church work, and esteemed by all as a woman of many most excellent qualities of head and heart. She now resides with her son, John. Jeffrey and Catherine Keating were the parents of the following children: Jeffrey and John, born in England; Kate died in 1885; Joseph F., the subject of

this sketch; Mary, deceased, and Patrick, a lumberman and a resident of Indianapolis.

Joseph F. Keating grew to manhood in his native city, was educated there and there learned the sawmaker's trade, at which he worked for some years. His principal business, however, has been that of head sawyer in a saw-mill. In pursuing this occupation he has visited several of the states, among them Illinois, Tennessee, Indiana, etc. In 1890 he became engaged in hotel keeping in Haughville. In July, 1897, he removed to his present location. Mr. Keating has been twice married, his first wife having been Miss Mary Gorman, a native of Greencastle, Ind., the ceremony being performed by Rev. Father Bessonies in St. John's church, Indianapolis. After five years of happy married life Mrs. Keating died in April, 1893, leaving no children. Mr. Keating was married to his present wife December 9, 1895, at St. John's church by Rev. Father Gavisk. Her name at the time of marriage was Mrs. Katie Abright, her first husband, by whom she had two children, having died. The names of her children are John and Bertha, and they are now living at home. Her maiden name was Oberle.

Mr. Keating is a member of the A. O. R. M., and in politics he is a republican. He and his family are members of St. John's Catholic church. He began his religious life as an altar boy at St. Patrick's church, where he served mass four or five years. He is a man of industrious habits, honest and kind hearted, and is respected both as a man and as a citizen.

**T**HOMAS JOSEPH KEEGAN, recorder of Clay county, Ind., was born in Owen county, March 6, 1856, a son of John T. and Mary (McNamara) Keegan, natives of Roscommon county, Ireland.

John T. Keegan and wife sailed from Ireland for America in November, 1850, and landed in New Orleans January 12, 1851, whence they came to Indiana and located near New Albany, where Mr. Keegan, who was a gentleman of education, taught school for several years. He next located at a point between Gosport and

Quincy, and for a number of years was section foreman on a railroad, and then removed to Monroe county, where he had purchased a farm. During the late Civil war, Mr. Keegan was agent at the depot in Louisville, Ky., for the L., N. A. & C. R. R., although his family continued to live on the Monroe county farm. At the close of the Rebellion he returned to his family, and from 1868 until 1875 was again employed in railroad construction. His death took place in the latter year, in the faith of the Catholic church, of which he had been a life-long member, and his remains were interred in the cemetery at Montezuma, Ind., one of the oldest consecrated to Catholic burial in the state of Indiana. Mr. Keegan had two brothers who also became citizens of the United States, of whom Bartholomew, the eldest of the three, had been educated as a civil engineer, and in this country was chiefly employed in railroad construction. His death took place in Terre Haute in 1876. Patrick, the youngest of the three, was also employed on public works, and died in Terre Haute in 1892. To John T. Keegan and wife were born three sons and five daughters, all of whom are still living, with the exception of Thomas, the eldest, who died in Ireland, and Nora, who was married to John Hanrahan and died at Delphi, Ind., the mother of five children. The surviving six are Mary, the wife of James McGuire, of Brazil; Thomas J., the subject of this memoir; Rose, who is married to James Carroll, of Carbon; Kate, Frank and Theressa, living with their mother in Brazil.

Thomas Joseph Keegan grew to manhood in Owen county, and after his father's death faithfully cared for his mother until her other children had approached mature years. His residence in Clay county has been varied to suit his business circumstances, he having been a contractor since reaching his majority. In 1891 he settled permanently in Brazil, and, being a stanch democrat in politics, was elected by his party county recorder in 1896, and has proved himself to be an efficient and competent official. January 10, 1893, he was united in marriage with Miss Margaret McKillop, daughter of John and Mary (McAllister) McKillop, the latter of whom is now deceased. Mrs. Keegan was born in Glasgow, Scotland, July 19, 1864, but was a girl of sixteen years when brought

to America. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Keegan has been blessed with three children, named Mary, Kate and John, and the parents are most worthy members of the church of the Annunciation. Personally, Mr. Keegan is very popular with his fellow-citizens, and the family are greatly respected as true Catholics, and as kind and friendly neighbors.

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**H**ENRY KEHL, a prominent business man of Connersville, Ind., was born in Boonville, Cooper county, Mo., April 6, 1861, and is a son of Jacob and Mary Kehl, natives of Baden, Germany, where their marriage took place and whence, shortly afterward, they came to America.

Jacob Kehl, who was a shoemaker by trade, on coming to the United States first located in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he followed his trade until about 1830, when he came to Connersville, Ind.; he then went to Boonville, Mo., remained there until 1862, then came back to Fayette county, Ind.; he next moved to Dubuque, Iowa, returned once more to Connersville in 1872, and finally moved to Union county, where his death took place in 1874; his widow survived until March, 1896, when she died in Connersville. Both were sincere Catholics, and in this faith their twelve children were christened, and of these there are six still living, of whom Henry, the subject, is the youngest boy.

Henry Kehl attended public school until thirteen years of age, when, on account of the death of his father, he went to live with an elder brother in Mason City, Ill., with whom he made his home until 1882, when he returned to Connersville and for one year worked in a furniture factory; the following three years he worked at the same business in Chicago, then came back to Connersville and was here employed by the Indiana Furniture company until 1894, in February of which year he opened a house-furnishing store with a stock valued at \$1,000, made a success of the enterprise, now carries a stock worth \$3,500, and also owns his family residence.

Mr. Kehl was united in marriage, in Connersville, in June,

1887, with Miss Anna Hogan, a native of Fayette county and a daughter of Martin and Bridget Hogan. This marriage has been blessed with three children, viz: Irene Marie, Howard A. and Joseph H. The family are devout Catholics, and enjoy the respect of a large circle of personal friends and of the community at large.

REV. PETER A. KEHELLEK, pastor of SS. Cyrill and Methodius' church at North Judson, Starke county, Ind., is a native of the western part of Germany, and came to the United States in 1883, where he has one sister living—Sister Oreka, at Notre Dame, Milwaukee, Wis.

Rev. Peter A. Kehellek was educated in the classics at St. Francis seminary, Milwaukee, and in philosophy at Assumption college, Sandwich, Ontario, Canada. His theological studies were pursued at Mount St. Mary's seminary, Cincinnati, Ohio, and in that city he was ordained priest, June 17, 1897, by the Most Rev. Archbishop William Henry Elder. He read his first mass June 27, 1897, at Michigan City, and was then assigned as assistant at Otis, Laporte county, Ind., where he remained until December 1, of the same year, when he was assigned to North Judson. Here, also, he has charge of the missions at Wheatfield, Jasper county, and San Pierre, and the station at Knox, both in Starke county. The mission at Wheatfield was formerly attended from Rensselaer, but is now attended from North Judson, has a comfortable church, attended by thirty or forty families, and is out of debt. The mission of San Pierre heretofore had been attended from Reynolds and other places, but is now in charge of Father Kehellek, as intimated above, has a small church, attended by between thirty and forty families, and is likewise out of debt, the church being known as All Saints.

As far back as 1874, about eighty Bohemian families came from Minnesota and Illinois, and colonized at North Judson, and by these the church buildings at San Pierre and North Judson were soon erected, but they were without a resident priest until the

coming of Father Kehellek, who has labored most zealously in their behalf, and brought about the present substantial condition of the congregation, both in a temporal and spiritual sense.

**H**ENRY EDWARD KELLER, M. D., one of the prominent medical men of Decatur, was born in the village of Monterey, Pulaski county, Ind., July 31, 1869, and is the son of John and Elizabeth Keller. John Keller was born in the year 1842 at Attica, Ohio, received his education in that town and Rochester, Ind., and married, in 1868, Elizabeth Schneyder, of Monterey, near which place he has since been engaged in agricultural pursuits. The following are the names of the children born to John and Elizabeth Keller: Joseph, John, Charles, Mary Elizabeth, Henry Edward and George, the last named deceased. The mother died in Monterey, June 4, 1888. Dr. Keller spent his youthful years amid the active scenes of farm life, attended the schools of Monterey until his fifteenth year, later completed a commercial course in one of the leading business colleges of Chicago, and for some time attended a normal school at Winamac, Ind. Having decided to adopt the medical profession for his life work, the doctor, after preliminary reading, entered the Chicago Physio-medical college, which he attended two years, and then took a course at Rush Medical college, and for two years thereafter was interne in the Cook county hospital. He completed his professional studies at the Indianapolis Physio-medical college, from which he was graduated in 1894, and immediately thereafter began practicing at Decatur, where he has since continued with the most encouraging success.

Doctor Keller makes specialties of acute and chronic diseases, ear and eye, head, nose and throat troubles and catarrh, also diseases of the bladder and kidneys. In these special lines he has achieved a creditable reputation and he stands high among his professional brethren of Decatur.

The doctor's marriage with Miss Anna C. Omlor, of Decatur, Ind., was solemnized by Father Wilkin in St. Mary's church,

August 13, 1894, and to the union two children have been born: Lorena Elizabeth Catherine and Raymond Charles. The doctor and his estimable wife are members of St. Mary's parish.

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REV. JOHN B. KELLY, rector of the Holy Trinity church New Albany, Ind., is a native of Ireland, came to America in 1863, and commenced his classical studies in the Provincial seminary of St. Thomas, about three miles from Bardstown, Nelson county, Ky., and completed his philosophical and theological studies at the seminary of Montreal, Canada.

After being ordained, in 1874, at Indianapolis, by Bishop de St. Palais, he was appointed pastor at Cambridge, Wayne county, Ind., where he erected St. Elizabeth's church. In 1881, he was transferred to his present charge in New Albany, where he at once began the improvement of the church interior, and within three months expended \$1,000, remodeling the seats, increasing their number and re-arranging the gallery. The following year he erected the Holy Trinity school-building, at an outlay of \$20,000, and at its completion superintended the erection of a home for the Sisters of Providence, the cost of which was defrayed by the Sisters themselves. In 1886, he replaced the shingle roof of the church with tinned iron and introduced hot-air furnaces, and has since further decorated the interior of the church at a cost of nearly \$7,000. He has also had erected a comfortable dwelling for the teacher of the boys' senior class of the parochial school, and has expended over \$1,000 in improving the Irish Catholic cemetery, on Green Valley road, two miles from New Albany. In 1886, Rev. Father Kelly was furnished by Bishop Chatard with an assistant in the person of Rev. J. P. Matthews, and in the spring of 1887 Father Kelly visited Ireland and then the Eternal City, where he kissed the hand of His Holiness, prayed for his people in the home of the Blessed Virgin at Loretto, and in September returned, bearing the apostolic benediction for his congregation and many souvenirs blessed by Pope Leo XIII.

The labors of Father Kelly have been zealous, unceasing and



indefatigable for both the spiritual and temporal welfare of his congregation, as well as for the glorification of the Church of Rome and the promotion of the Holy Faith, and, being an orator by nature and thoroughly trained by education in pulpit eloquence, he has been phenomenally successful in performing the duties of his pastorate and in winning the love and admiration of his congregation, which adore him, not only for his scholarly accomplishments, but for his unfeigned piety and his many personal virtues.

PETER KELLY, an efficient and popular Miami county official, and a resident of Peru, Ind., was born in county Cork, Ireland, July 5, 1846, a son of Patrick and Hanora (Twomey) Kelly, the former of whom was a scientific farmer and likewise steward for the estate of Sir George Colthurst, on which he died in 1862. Mrs. Hanora Kelly came to America in 1867, and here passed the remainder of her days, and died in 1875, like her husband, in the faith of the Catholic church.

Peter Kelly, the youngest of the six children born to his parents and of whom four are still living, was educated in one of the national or common schools of Ireland until sixteen years old, assisted his father until the latter's death and engaged in general labor in his native county until coming to America with his mother in 1867. Locating in Peru, Ind., with the rest of the family, he first engaged in contract work on public works, a business he followed until 1877, when he embarked in the grocery trade, which he conducted until 1879, when he resumed contracting, and was thus employed until 1892, when he was appointed deputy county surveyor, filled the office in a most satisfactory manner until 1896—in fact performing, during the latter part of the term, the duties of both surveyor and deputy. In June, 1896, he was appointed city engineer for Peru, for which office he is admirably fitted, and is also a county drainage commissioner. In politics he is a staunch democrat, and is very popular with his party, in whose council his voice has a potent effect. He is a true Catholic, and is a member of St. Patrick's Total Abstinence society, believing that temperance

is the foundation of all temporal prosperity. He has been frugal and temperate himself throughout life and owns several building lots in the city earned by his own labor and a judicious investment of his savings, and in every way has led a commendable and useful life. Generous by nature, he has been free with his means in aiding every movement for the benefit of his fellow-men when within his power, and no appeal in charity's name has passed him unnoticed.

REV. FATHER ANTHONY MICHEL, O. S. B., pastor of St. Martin's church at Siberia (Sabaria), Perry county, Ind., is a native of Dubois county, Ind., was born at St. Henry, June 10, 1865, and is the sixth in a family of seven children born to John and Magdalena (Hubert) Michel, of whom Mark is a brother at St. Meinrad's monastery.

Rev. Anthony Michel's primary education was finished in the common schools, and in 1880 he entered St. Meinrad's college, there finished the classical, philosophical and theological courses and was ordained by Bishop Chatard May 23, 1891. He had taken his profession in the Benedictine order, July 25, 1886, and took the solemn vows later. He was called to fill the chair of ancient and modern history and geography in the college of St. Meinrad during the school year of 1891-92, and was then assigned as pastor of the Sacred Heart parish at Schnellville during the year 1892-93, having, during his professorship, officiated as priest of this parish. He became the resident priest of St. Martin's September 3, 1894. The old log church had an ell and sacristy, which had been erected in 1868, and was still standing. When he took charge there were about forty families, or 200 souls, and he at once undertook the erection of a new church. The preliminaries, such as quarrying the stone and burning the brick and leveling the hilly and rough grounds, were begun, and the corner-stone was laid August 15, 1896, by Rev. J. W. Book, of Cannelton. The building was partially finished in 1896, but it was left until the patron saint's day, or the feast of St. Martin, November 11, 1897, when the first services were held. During the same day Abbot Schmitt



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blessed the bells, two in number. The building was not really finished until June 3, 1898, when Bishop Chatard blessed the church. The entire cost of the church, including labor, donated material and cash, amounted to \$7,500. The priest's home, a very modest building, was built in 1890 at a cost of \$400. The entire value of the Catholic property, including church building, lands, priest's residence and the furnishings of the church, is placed at \$9,000. Father Anthony Michel has performed a great and creditable task in erecting this beautiful brick church in so rough and rocky a place—a parish where the people are very poor—and the best thing to be recorded is that the parish is out of debt. Great credit also is due the congregation for their zealous work.

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**D**R. MATHEW KEMPF (deceased) was a native of Offenburg, Baden, Germany, was born September 25, 1827, and died in Louisville, Ky., March 29, 1880.

When but three years of age he emigrated with his parents from his native land to Louisville, Ky., which was in the year 1830. He was a man of erudite knowledge and education, having received an English and German education in the schools, or colleges of Louisville, Ky., and Vincennes, Ind. He became very proficient in the French and German languages, and began the study of medicine with Dr. Wilson, an eminent practitioner of the city of Louisville, and subsequently entered the Medical college of Louisville, and graduated from that celebrated institution in 1850. He was appointed, for his fitness, demonstrator of anatomy in the college, and in 1852 returned to his native land to enter the Heidelberg university, to more completely prepare himself for his chosen profession. Upon his return to Louisville, he resumed his practice of medicine and surgery, and on account of his rare skill and scholarly attainments, built up a large and lucrative practice. On account of his eyesight failing him, he was advised to abandon city life, which caused his removal to Ferdinand, Ind., in 1855. In 1859 the people chose him by election as their representative in the halls of the legislature of the state of Indiana, and whilst

there, he made an attempt to procure a law to regulate the practice of medicine.

In November, 1879, he was appointed professor of surgery and clinical surgery in the Kentucky School of Medicine, but the promise of a useful career as a lecturer was cut short by death, in the Catholic faith.

Dr. Kempf was a forcible, fluent and graceful writer, was the author of an "Essay on the Surgery of Dubois County," and of many articles in "The American Journal of the Medical Sciences," "The North American Medico-Chirurgical Review," the "Louisville Medical News" and the "Cincinnati Lancet and Observer." His scientific studies were extensive, but he was especially devoted to ethnology. He was author of a poem of 18,000 verses, entitled "Wandering Cainidae," which is a study of ethnology, refuting the Darwinian theory. The preface was published in 1879. Dr. Kempf was a noted leader on this deep subject of ethnology in the medical world. He was a gentleman who was possessed of those cardinal graces of character which classed him among the best thinkers and reasoners, and in all his relations of life exhibited such noble attributes of character that he was held in the highest esteem by all who knew him. His death caused a breach in the profession, but the robe of responsibility which fell from his shoulders was caught up by his son, Edward J., who has with prestige and skill born it gracefully and has greatly extended the practice of medicine in Dubois county. Dr. Kempf had married Miss Katharine Jeglie, a native of Switzerland. She was born in 1833 and died in 1877. There were eleven children, six sons and five daughters, in the family, and six of the children are living at present.

Dr. Edward J. Kempf, the son of Dr. Mathew Kempf, and now a physician and surgeon of Jasper, Ind., is a native of Ferdinand, Dubois county, and was born September 30, 1858. His primary education was completed in the common schools, and in 1869 he entered St. Meinrad college and remained there as a student till 1873. In 1876 he entered the university of Louisville, and graduated in 1878, and at the completion of his medical career as a student he took up the practice of his father at Ferdinand and remained there until 1884. In 1882 he took a post-graduate course

at the university of Pennsylvania. In 1884 he located at Jasper, Ind., and is at present the leading physician and surgeon of the town. Dr. Kempf was wedded at Ferdinand, Ind., October 6, 1884, by Rev. Eberhardt Stadler, to Miss Caroline D. Judy, a native of Dubois county, and to this marriage have been born seven children, viz: Edward J., confirmed by Bishop Chatard; Frank P.; Andrew G.; Marie C.; Gerald F.; Roman C. and Thomas M.

Dr. Kempf is a successful physician and surgeon and his practice is extensive. Fraternally, he is a member of the Catholic Knights of America and the Y. M. I. His social standing is an enviable one, and his many personal virtues make him esteemed by all classes of the people of Jasper and the surrounding country.

MICHAEL H. KENNEDY, ex-postmaster at Lafayette, Ind., and also member of the firm of Spitznagel & Kennedy, wholesale dealers in saddlery and harness findings, was born in Lawrence, Mass., June 27, 1849, and was about nine years of age when brought to LaFayette.

John B. Kennedy, father of Michael H., was born in county Tipperary, Ireland, and there married Mary Hewitt, a native of the same county. Early in 1849 he brought his wife to America, and for five years he worked in a woolen mill in Lawrence, Mass., whence he went to Manchester, Mich., and for three years followed farming. In 1858 he came to LaFayette and followed teaming and contracting until about 1885, when he retired to the quiet of his own home at No. 92 South Third street, where he had the sad misfortune of losing his life-partner in November, 1887. His four children were named, in order of birth, Maggie, Emma (who died in childhood), Michael H. (our subject), and John B., Jr., the last named of whom married Mary Riley, who bore him one son, Frank. John B., Jr., was an active democrat in politics, was deputy sheriff of Tippecanoe county and later deputy city treasurer of LaFayette, and died, an honored citizen and faithful Catholic, in 1892.

Michael H. Kennedy was chiefly educated in a parochial

school of LaFayette, and at the mercantile college conducted by Prof. Kennedy, after graduating from which he became a book-keeper for a grocery firm, and then for Barney Spitznagle, and ten years later, January 1, 1881, became his equal partner in his present business.

Mr. Kennedy was united in matrimony, November 29, 1887, with Miss Mary C. Daly, a native of St. Louis, Mo., and as a result has been blessed with four children, viz: Mary C., Robert Leo, Catherine F. and John T. He and family are members of St. Mary's congregation, are liberal in their support of the church in all its work for the good of its people, and are sincere and devout Catholics. In politics Mr. Kennedy is a stanch democrat and has been very active in promoting the success of his party in local elections, but was never an office seeker, his position as postmaster having been proffered to him unsought in 1893, and he having taken charge of the office on the 13th day of October in the same year, the duties of which office he faithfully and efficiently performed to the satisfaction of all concerned until the expiration of his term, since when he has been in a wholesale house. Fraternally he is a member of the B. & P. O. E., the Knights of St. John, the A. O. H. and the Y. M. H. S., and socially he and family are very highly esteemed by the most respected residents of LaFayette. He owns a fine home at No. 126 North street, where his non-business hours are passed in the quiet enjoyment of domestic felicity.

**M**ICHAEL M. KELLEY, deceased, of Fort Wayne, was one of five children born to Thomas J. and Mary Kelley, natives of Ireland. The father was a farmer and died in Ireland, in 1851, the mother having died about 1849.

Michael M. Kelley was born in Ireland August 28, 1847, was educated in the common schools, and followed farming a great many years, and then engaged in business, and was thus engaged when he died, February 17, 1890, in Fort Wayne. He was a member of the Catholic Knights of America, the Catholic Benevolent association and the St. Joseph Benevolent association.



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He was married August 26, 1873, to Miss Lizzie Hamilton, a daughter of Thomas and Mary (Terian) Hamilton. Her father was from Ireland and came to the United States when he was a boy, and both parents are now deceased. To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Kelley were born five children, viz: George W., Mary A., Frank A., Parnell E. and Julien B. All of these are members of the cathedral congregation, and stand very high in the esteem of the members of their church as well as that of the community in general.

Mrs. Kelley, January 18, 1898, married Jerome J. Otuder, a salesman in Fort Wayne and residing at No. 397 South Calhoun street.

EDWARD THOMAS KENNEY, representing the Aultman company, manufacturers of threshing machines, road implements, etc., is a native of Ohio, born April 3, 1854, in the city of Urbana. He was educated in Mount St. Mary's seminary, Cincinnati, and since his twenty-first year has been engaged in the implement business. His first experience in this work was as a local dealer in his native town, following which he represented his firm on the roads for three years in the state of Illinois as "general utility man." At the end of that time, he was given the management of a small territory in southern Illinois, which was subsequently enlarged so as to embrace portions of Illinois, Iowa and Missouri. So ably did he represent his employers' interests while in the above field, that in 1890 he was sent to Indianapolis as general agent for Indiana, west half of Ohio, and southeast Illinois. Mr. Kenney has five assistants in his extensive business, the territory over which he has jurisdiction being large and the interests greatly scattered. He is necessarily on the road a considerable portion of the time, and the magnitude of business is second to that of no man similarly employed in the entire country. In addition to his regular vocation, Mr. Kenney is interested with Daniel Sullivan in handling small implements, wagons, buggies, etc., in which his success has already been fully assured.

Mr. Kenney was married in Galesburg, Ills., April 7, 1891, to Miss Margaret Collopy, a native of that city and a student of St.

Mary's of the Woods, Terre Haute, Ind. Mr. and Mrs. Kenney have three interesting children—John Edward, Catherine and James Henry. The family are members of St. Joseph church, active in every good work connected therewith, and highly respected in both religious and social circles of the city. Politically, Mr. Kenney supports the democratic party, but prefers to vote independently in local affairs.

The parents of the subject were John and Catherine (Hill) Kenney, both natives of county Kilkenny, Ireland; they were married in Urbana, Ohio, where the mother now lives, the father having been called from the scenes of his early life October 3, 1887, at the age of seventy-two years. John and Catherine Kenney had a large family—fourteen children—of whom seven are living at this time, Edward Thomas being the eldest. The names of the other surviving members are as follows: Anna, Thomas, James, Mary (wife of William Chew), Patrick and Nellie, all of whom, except James, who resides at Lima, Ohio, and Edward T., are residents of Urbana. They were all reared in the Catholic faith, and to their credit be it said that they have ever been true to the pure teachings of the Holy church.

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MICHAEL FRANCIS KENNEDY, deceased, was born in Cambridge City, Wayne county, Ind., October 25, 1870, a son of Martin and Mary (Dillon) Kennedy, highly respected residents of the same city, but natives of county Kerry, Ireland. Michael Francis, the deceased subject of this memoir, was educated primarily in the public schools of his native city, later passed one year at St. Meinrad's college, and still later studied two years under the private tutorage of Rev. Father Spelman, and was by him so well instructed that, on entering St. Charles college at Baltimore, Md., he was assigned to the second (or sophomore) class, or, in other words, advanced one class higher than the first (or freshman) class. While pursuing his studies at St. Charles, and in his senior, or graduating class, he was called away from earth, a victim of that insidious and fell disorder, consumption, and died.

a true Catholic May 12, 1892. He was a bright, intelligent, moral young man, a fine scholar, a gentleman by instinct as well as training, and his untimely death was a source of great sorrow to a host of admiring young friends, as well as a severe affliction to his disconsolate family.

JAMES W. KEOGH, a well-known railroad man in former days, but now general agent at Indianapolis for the Deering Harvester company, was born in Cleveland, Ohio, July 1, 1855, a son of Thomas and Mary Keogh, natives of Ireland, and is the eldest of a family of six boys and three girls, of whom four only are now living, viz: James W., the subject of this review; Alice, seventh child, is married and resides in Chicago, Ill.; Thomas V., eighth child, resides in Indianapolis, and travels for the American Buncher company through the state of Illinois; and Mary, the ninth child, makes her home with her mother in Indianapolis.

On coming from Ireland, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Keogh made their home in Cleveland, Ohio, until 1864, then resided in Painesville, Ohio, until 1866, next lived in Galion, in the same state, until 1878, then in Columbus until 1883, when they finally settled in Indianapolis, Ind., and here the father passed away, in the faith of the Catholic church, in September, 1893, an honored citizen and an upright man, leaving behind, to mourn his loss, his sorrowing widow and the four surviving children named above.

James W. Keogh was educated in the Brothers' schools of Cleveland and Painesville and the public school at Galion, and began his business career as a messenger boy in a railroad office in the last named city, was promoted to the position of second bill clerk, and left this office to enter the train service, in which he was employed one year and eight months as brakeman, and fourteen years and two months as conductor on several roads, viz: Bee Line, east division, Union City, Ind., to Galion, Ohio; Baltimore & Ohio, Lake Erie division, Newark, Ohio, to Sandusky, Ohio; Pan-handle R. R., Columbus to Denniston, Ohio, and Bradford, Ohio, to Indianapolis, Ind.; C., H. & I., Indianapolis, Ind., to Hamil-

ton, Ohio; I. & St. L., Indianapolis to St. Louis; Vandalia Line, Indianapolis to St. Louis.

In 1887, Mr. Keogh began traveling for the Deering Harvester company and February 1, 1892, was promoted to the general agency, at Kalamazoo, Mich., where he filled the duties of his position with great satisfaction to the company until December 23, 1893, when he was transferred to his present responsible position in Indianapolis.

The first marriage of Mr. Keogh was solemnized November 25, 1879, by Rev. Father Bessonies, with Miss May Mason, of Union City, Ind., but this lady was called away February 14, 1886, and on April 12, of the same year, was followed to the grave by her only child, Harry. The second marriage of Mr. Keogh was also solemnized by Father Bessonies February 22, 1887, to Miss Maud M. Mercer, of Terre Haute, Ind., and this union was blessed with two children, Camilla and Francis, born November 29, 1889. Mr. Keogh was called to mourn the loss of his second helpmate August 10, 1896, and he was bereaved of his daughter, Camilla, March 17, 1897—she dying at St. Mary's of the Woods, at the age of eight years, eleven months and twenty-eight days. Mr. Keogh, however, bears his bereavements with christian fortitude, and finds his solace within the pale of the church, being a devout member of St. John's congregation.

PATRICK KEOUGH, deceased, was for over thirty-five years, prior to his death, a well-known and highly esteemed resident of Bainbridge, Putnam county, Ind., and a faithful Catholic from birth to death. He was born in county Tipperary, Ireland, in 1818, and at the age of twenty-seven years came to America, landing in Quebec, Canada, but shortly afterward came direct to Indiana, which state was ever afterward his home. He was married in Crawfordsville, in 1851, to Miss Catherine Shaughnessy, a native of county Clare, Ireland, and went to housekeeping in Roachville, where Mr. Keough was employed in railroad construction until 1861, when he brought his family to Bainbridge, where he lost his devoted wife February 10, 1891, and where his

own death took place January 4, 1896. He was very domestic in his habits, was strictly moral, and was a useful and public-spirited citizen. He had been well educated, was a constant reader, had a most retentive memory, and kept himself well posted in ancient and modern history and the standard literature, sacred and profane, of his day.

The marriage of Patrick and Catherine Keough was blessed with two daughters—Mary and Kate—both of whom are now engaged in school-teaching and retain their residence on the old homestead. They are highly accomplished young ladies and are much esteemed in the community in which they live. They were filial and affectionate in their home relations, and gave their parents the most tender attention in their latter days, and these amiable traits of character were especially marked during the declining days of their father, who was an invalid for some time prior to his death, which was a source of sorrow to a large circle of sincerely attached friends. In him the church lost a pious and faithful devotee, and the daughters a kind, loving father, whose demise they can never cease to deplore. As were the parents, the daughters are devout Catholics.

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JOHN KERVAN, deceased, was one of the early Catholic settlers near Indianapolis and one of those who formed the nucleus of the Catholic societies or congregations as they were gradually formed and developed in this now magnificent city. He was born in county Tipperary, Ireland, June 29, 1822, and came to America when a young man, leaving his parents behind. He was married in Gloucester, N. J., October 9, 1853, by Rev. Father Finnegan, to Miss Mary Colbert, who was also born in county Tipperary, Ireland, and had been his playmate in childhood. The parents of Mrs. Kervan never came to America, but an elder brother, Patrick Colbert, preceded her to this country and is now a resident of Indianapolis, but, on her arrival in America, was a resident of New Jersey.

May 31, 1854, Mr. and Mrs. Kervan came to Indiana and

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located on a farm near Valley Mills, in the township of Decatur, Marion county, where their children were born, and where the father died July 8, 1888, at the age of sixty-six years. During the many years the family resided at Valley Mills, they usually attended St. John's church in the city of Indianapolis, although there was a mission near at hand, to which he had donated the land on which to erect a church building; but he had been interested in the formation of St. John's congregation and clung to it to the last.

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Kervan was blessed with six children, all of whom were baptized in St. John's church, Indianapolis. Of this family there now survive the mother and four children—Mary, John, James and Margaret. Of the two deceased children, Thomas died at the age of six years and Ellen at the age of thirty-three. Mrs. Kervan and three of her children, Mary, John and Margaret, reside at No. 815 Dougherty street, Indianapolis, while James, the youngest son, operates the homestead farm. The family, like the husband and father, are all devout Catholics, are liberal in their contributions to the support of the church and maintain a high position in the esteem of all who know them, either in town or country.

C. H. KESSING, jeweler, of Oldenburg, Franklin county, is a son of J. H. and Mary E. (Holterhenrich) Kessing, of Germany. The father was born January 6, 1796, and died March 24, 1877. C. H. Kessing was born January 20, 1845, and was one of six children, of whom four are living. Mr. Kessing was reared in Germany, attended the common schools, and came to the United States in May, 1861, landing in Baltimore. He went to Cincinnati in 1865, remained a short time, then moved to Morris City, Ripley county, Ind., and remained for one and one-half years on a farm. He then returned to Cincinnati as a salesman in the clothing business, which he continued for one year. Then he learned the jewelry business at Cincinnati, and in 1869 came to Oldenburg city, and has worked at his trade ever since, owning his own store and carrying a stock valued at \$800.

He was married November 23, 1875, to a Miss Philomena Lamping, a daughter of Fredricka Lamping, of Germany. She was born May 3, 1851, and died November 13, 1890. One child was born to this union, Matilda, who is at home with her father. Mr. Kessing is one of the principal business men of Oldenburg, is a sincere Catholic, and is highly respected as a citizen.

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**J**OHAN KIEFER, ex-sheriff of Tipton county and lumber merchant of Tipton city, was born in Brookville, Franklin county, Ind., February 28, 1847, and is a son of Dominick and Caroline (Witt) Kiefer, both of whom were born at Oldsbach, near Strasburg, Germany, but came to America when young and were reared and married in Brookville, Ind. The maternal grandmother also came to the United States and died in Cincinnati, Ohio. The father was also accompanied to this country by one brother, John, and a sister, Fronica, who was married to John Pfonder, who died in Brookville, Ind., and whose remains were the first to be interred in the old Catholic cemetery, of that place.

Dominick Kiefer was a tailor by trade and carried on his business in Brookville, being also engaged in farming during his later years. His death took place in Brookville, in 1873, at the age of sixty-eight years, but his wife still survives and resides with her children in Colorado. Of the family of nine children born to Mr. and Mrs. Kiefer, John, the subject of this memoir, is the eldest; Leopold is a farmer of Tipton; Valentine is a fruit-grower in Colorado; Amelia is the wife of Michael Bath, of Tipton; Joseph is a miller in Colorado; Frank is in the same state; Rosa is the wife of Thomas O'Tool, of Kokomo, Ind.; Caroline lives in Brookville, Ind.; and Benjamin in Colorado.

John Kiefer, whose name opens this biography, was educated in the public schools of Brookville, and was reared a farmer. He was married at St. Peter's, Franklin county, August 24, 1871, to Miss Anna Mary Schmitt, a native of Germany, who, in 1862, came to America with her parents, John and Clara Schmitt. In 1882, Mr. Kiefer came to Tipton county and purchased a farm of 120 acres,

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two miles east of the city of Tipton, and was employed in agriculture until 1888. In politics he has always been an active democrat, has served as delegate to district and county conventions, and has held several township offices with credit to himself. In 1888 he was elected sheriff of Tipton county, being the first Catholic ever elected to a county office in Tipton. He performed the duties of this position with such satisfaction to his constituents that he was re-elected, thus serving two terms. Since the expiration of his second term, Mr. Kiefer has been in the lumber trade in connection with Mr. Fralich, of Tipton. In religion he is a true Catholic and has served as trustee of St. John the Baptist church, to which his wife and six children—Charles C., Michael, Dora, Amelia, John and Mary—also belong, and was trustee at the time of the erection of the parochial school-building. Mr. Kiefer has ever been an industrious and useful citizen, and resides in his own neat residence in Tipton, where he enjoys a large acquaintance and the esteem of all his neighbors.

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REV. ROGER KEXEL, late assistant pastor of St. Joseph's parish, Terre Haute, was born in Nassua, Germany, August 17, 1864. When six years of age, he was brought by his parents to the United States, the family locating at Albany, N. Y., in which city Father Kexel was reared and obtained his early education. In 1879 he entered St. Francis college, Syracuse, N. Y., where he remained one year, going thence to Trenton, N. J., where he pursued his studies until 1885, in which year he went to Rome and entered the Propaganda. He was ordained to the priesthood in the Holy City in 1888 by Archbishop Leuto, vicergerent to the pope, and the same year returned to America and became assistant pastor of St. Joseph's church, Hoboken, N. J., in which capacity he continued one and a half years. During the four years succeeding his work in Hoboken, Father Kexel served as Catholic chaplain of the New Jersey state prison, Trenton, and, in addition to his clerical duties, taught canon law and liturgy in St. Francis college, located at the state capital. From Trenton,



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Father Kexel was transferred to Camden, N. J., as assistant pastor of the church of Sts. Peter and Paul's. During the summer season, from 1890 to 1896, he had charge of the Catholic congregation at Point Pleasant, N. J., a well-known watering place. In October, 1896, Father Kexel came to Terre Haute as assistant pastor of St. Joseph's church, and here his untimely and lamented decease took place August 3, 1897. Father Kexel was a faithful and untiring worker in the interests of the holy church, and his labors were abundantly blessed in leading many from the paths of sin to the higher life of holiness and peace. He accomplished much good in his different fields of labor and had before him a field of still greater usefulness had it not been the will of a Higher Power to place him among the saints departed.

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**T**HOMAS B. KIDWELL, who resides with his family at No. 1634 Hoyt avenue, Indianapolis, is a native of Johnson county, this state, and is a son of Napoleon B. and Sarah Kidwell, the latter of whom is deceased. When a boy he learned the cooper trade in Indianapolis, and later was engineer in cotton mills. He next went to the northwest. He was not of Catholic parentage, but was converted to the faith at Winona, Minn., in 1885, where he was married, February 10, 1886, to Mary J. Degnan, a native of Winona county, Minn., and this union has been blessed with five children, viz: Roy Bernard, Mary Ellen, Thomas George, Charles Leo and Cornelius Joseph. The father of Mrs. Kidwell, Michael Degnan, was an early settler of Winona county, Minn., where his death occurred in July, 1891, and where his widow still makes her home with her three children, she having borne her husband four in all, viz: George, Charles, Mrs. Kidwell and John.

Mr. Kidwell is a stationary engineer, and as such has been in the employ of Tucker & Dorsey since March, 1887. He is industrious and frugal, but is liberal in his contributions to the support of the church and its charities, as well as its other good work, and Mrs. Kidwell is also a true daughter of Catholicity. In politics Mr. Kidwell is a democrat, but has never been an office seeker.

His dwelling is the abode of hospitality and cheerfulness, and he and wife enjoy the esteem of a wide circle of warm friends, both within and without the pale of the Catholic church.

**T**HOMAS KILFOIL, a well-known business man of Vincennes, Ind., and an influential member of St. Francis Xavier cathedral, was born in county Clare, Ireland, May 1, 1859, the son of Thomas and Mary (Rodgers) Kilfoil. He received a fair education in his youth, and when he was about twenty years of age he came to this country, being attracted hither by the reports written by his brother John, who had been an American citizen for some years previous. He reached our shores in December, 1878, and came directly to Vincennes, where his brother was residing. His first employment was with the O. & M. (now the B. & O.) railway company, being engaged as a car inspector in the Vincennes yards for three years. For four years he was next employed as a locomotive fireman, and in May, 1891, abandoned railway employment and engaged in the retail liquor business, in which he has been successfully occupied since, at No. 21 First street.

Mr. Kilfoil is a young man of excellent personal habits, and has a large personal following of friends in the city. He is a member of branch No. 253, C. K. of A., and is a liberal contributor to the good works of St. Francis Xavier cathedral. Politically he is a democrat though not a seeker after office. He possesses business qualifications of an excellent order and does a good trade.

The Kilfoil family consisted of five sons and three daughters, as follows: John (deceased); Patrick, who was a farmer in his native country, and who died some years ago, leaving a family; James, now a resident of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Thomas, our subject, and Mary, Bridget and Catherine, the two former married and living in Ireland, and the latter deceased.

John Kilfoil, brother of Thomas, the subject of this review, came to this country some years prior to the arrival of our subject and was for several years employed on the O. & M. railroad. He later opened a place of business on Second street, which he oper-

ated successfully until his death, which occurred in August, 1893. He left a wife (née Bridget Murphy) and two children, Thomas, a tinner employed at Indianapolis, and John, a student in the public schools of Vincennes. Three other children of this union are deceased. He left considerable property to his family, and his brother, our subject, was appointed guardian of the interests of the same until they attain their majority. John Kilfoil had been married twice, his first wife, Mary Coleman, dying childless.

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REV. E. B. KILROY, D. D. (deceased).—Father Edmund Burke Kilroy was assigned to LaFayette in 1859, and remained until 1861. He was a man held in very high esteem in every relation of life, and among all classes of citizens. Born in Ireland on the 24th of November, 1830, he came to America in early boyhood. A student in the university of Notre Dame, he joined in 1848, the congregation of the Holy Cross. Ordained a priest, he became first professor at Notre Dame, and afterward, for two years, president of the college of St. Mary's of the Lake, at Chicago. Separating himself from his colleagues at Notre Dame and St. Mary's of the Lake, he became a member of the diocesan clergy, and his first parishes were Laporte and LaFayette.

At the call to arms in the Civil war, he accepted an appointment as one of the special agents of the state of Indiana to see to the sanitary condition of the army, and especially to the wounded. After the close of the war he was induced by friends and relatives in Ontario, Canada, to cast his lot with them, and took a parish at Sarnia, and was later on sent to other places in the dominion.

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REV. FRANCIS A. KING, pastor of the Roman Catholic church at Union City, was born at Delphi, Ind., March 25, 1861, and is a son of Henry and Catherine (Berry) King. The father was a native of New York, was a farmer, settled at Delphi when twenty-one years of age, and was killed by a runaway team;

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the mother was of Irish birth and came to America when a child. Francis A. received his preparatory education at Delphi, and at the age of fifteen was sent to St. Mary's seminary, Cincinnati, for three years; he next attended St. Francis' seminary at Milwaukee, Wis., for seven years, finishing there a philosophical and theological course. In 1885 he was ordained priest by Archbishop Heiss, of Milwaukee, and for a time was first assistant at Fort Wayne, Ind., and was next parish priest at Covington, Ind., for five years. In June, 1890, he was sent to Union City to build a new church, and inside of three years he succeeded in erecting an edifice at a cost of \$25,000, in the Gothic style of architecture, with a seating capacity of 600.

Father King has been untiring in his labors for the improvement of his parish in all respects as well as the advancement of the general interests of the mother church, and his life of nearly ten years in Union City has been pregnant with most excellent results. His people adore him for his piety with as great fervor as they manifest gratitude for the great good he has accomplished in their behalf, and many persons in the city, outside the church, feel honored in being called his friend.

**A**NDREW RAYMOND, deceased, was born in Shelby county, Ind., September 26, 1845, a son of Andrew and Elizabeth (Laws) Raymond, who were natives, respectively, of Switzerland and Kentucky, the father being a farmer.

Andrew Raymond, the subject of this memoir, was an attendant at the Sisters' Orphans' Home school in Vincennes, Ind., until about 1856. In 1859 he went to Missouri with his widowed mother, and they there resided about three months, when his mother was called away, in the faith of the Roman Catholic church, aged fifty years. Andrew resided in Missouri till 1863, then went to Illinois, and in May, 1864, enlisted at Alton, for 100 days, and at the close of his term of enlistment lived with a farmer in Illinois till 1866; he then came to Shelbyville, Ind., and here learned the cabinet-maker's trade, at which he worked until 1874, and then engaged



ANDREW RAYMOND.  
(DECEASED.)



in huckstering for two years; he next conducted a retail confectionery until 1888, and then embarked in the wholesale liquor trade, in which he was still engaged at the time of his death, January 27, 1897, in the faith of the Catholic church, his remains being interred in the new cemetery of St. Joseph's. He had been a very industrious and active business man, and although he began life as a poor orphan boy, died the owner of his residence, as well as a business building, and a stock of goods of considerable value; also was the owner of bank and building and loan association stocks, and carried, beside, a life insurance policy of \$2,000. He for years had been a trustee of St. Joseph's church, to which he was a generous contributor; was a member of St. Joseph's Benevolent society, and a citizen of undisputed integrity, honored by all who knew him.

Mr. Raymond was united in matrimony, in Shelbyville, November 27, 1882, with Miss Alice O'Connor, a native of this city, born March 28, 1857, a daughter of Samuel and Mary Ann (McGinn) O'Connor, natives of Ireland—Mr. O'Connor having been for many years a merchant tailor in Shelbyville, and later a wholesale dealer in liquors. To the union of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond were born five children, viz: Charles A. S., deceased; Mary E., George H. J., Paul C. and Louisa A. Mrs. Raymond, with her surviving children, is a member of St. Joseph's church, Mrs. Raymond being also a member of St. Ann's sodality. She is a highly intelligent lady and is greatly respected in society, both within and without church circles.

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THOMAS W. KINSER, a prominent citizen of Terre Haute and one of the leading contractors of Indiana, is a native of Ohio, born in the city of Circleville on the 2nd day of March, 1851. His parents, John and Mary (Six) Kinser, were both born in Ohio; the former died in 1883, at the age of sixty-seven; the mother is still living, making her home at this time in Terre Haute, Ind. There were four sons and one daughter born to John and Mary Kinser, the daughter being the only child of the family deceased.

Thomas W. Kinser was reared on his father's farm in Ohio until 1859, when the family went to Illinois, in which state he

followed agricultural pursuits until the removal of the family to Terre Haute some years later.

Mr. Kinser is essentially a self-made man. He began life for himself at the age of eighteen, taking contracts on a limited scale for the excavation of cellars and other similar work, and from a small beginning continued to enlarge his operations from year to year until his contracts for sewers, streets, and railroading extended from his own to a number of other states. He constructed twelve miles of the Danville & Olney railroad, put in mains for the new water system of Vincennes, put in twenty-five miles of sewer in Muncie, the same number of miles in Anderson, five miles of sewer and a like number of miles of streets in Hammond, and filled various other contracts of a similar character in different parts of the state. He also laid the South Sixth and Main street pavements in Terre Haute, which, with other work alluded to, have stood the test of time and bear evidence of the thorough and systematic way in which all of his contracts have been executed.

In February, 1896, Mr. Kinser secured the contract for constructing the water works for the city of Cambridge, Mass., by far his largest and most expensive undertaking, the contract price being in excess of \$300,000. As an evidence of the magnitude of his work, it is only sufficient to state that Mr. Kinser's plant for doing the work cost him the sum of \$30,000.

Associated with him in the business of contracting are his two sons, William J. and Harvey L., both young men of more than average ability, and the firm for some time has been known as Kinser & Sons. As already stated, the firm has much more than a local reputation, and the three members rank among the most progressive and responsible business men of Terre Haute.

On the third day of May, 1871, in St. Patrick's church, Terre Haute, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Kinser and Margaret Powers, Father Shassa officiating. Mrs. Kinser was born in the city of Waterford, Ireland, August 3, 1851, the daughter of William and Johanna Powers, and was brought by her parents to the United States in 1854, the family locating first in Syracuse, N. Y., thence, in 1856, moving to Terre Haute, Ind. William and Johanna Powers passed the rest of their lives in Terre Haute, the



former dying in 1878 and the latter in 1892; they had a family of nine children, only three of whom are now living, and were devout members of St. Joseph parish. The family of Mr. and Mrs. Kinser consists of two children, the sons above referred to; William J., was born May 6, 1872, and Harvey, February 7, 1875. William J. was married, January 10, 1893, in the church of the Holy Angels, Chicago, to Miss Hannah Guise, of Baltimore, Md. Mr. and Mrs. Kinser and sons belong to St. Patrick's parish, Terre Haute.

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**A**LBERT PETER KIVITS, member of St. Joseph's parish, Terre Haute, is a native of Holland, where his birth occurred on the 28th day of September, 1847. His parents, Peter and M. (Stowacke) Kivits, both natives of Holland, with their seven children, came to the United States in 1848 and settled in St. Louis, Mo., where, the following year, the father, one son and one daughter died of cholera, which was then raging in various parts of the country. The mother is still living in St. Louis, having reached the ripe old age of eighty-nine years.

Albert P. Kivits received a practical education in the schools of St. Louis, and early began the battle of life upon his own responsibility, accepting employment in a tobacco factory when only twelve years of age. Later he worked for some time in a bakery, making what is known as "hard tack" for the army, and at the age of seventeen accepted a position as salesman in a boot and shoe house in St. Louis, where he was employed until his removal, in 1879, to Terre Haute, Ind. On locating in the latter place Mr. Kivits embarked in the boot and shoe trade for himself, at his present place, No. 328 Main street, where he has since conducted with success and financial profit an extensive business. He is one of the leading business men of the city and also one of its most highly esteemed and progressive citizens.

Mr. Kivits was united in marriage, at St. Louis, in 1872, to Miss Theresa Crancer, a native of that city, the fruits of which union are the following children; William H., born 1875; Mary Agnes, born in the year 1879—died in 1881; Gertrude, born in

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1883, and Edward Francis, whose birth occurred in the year 1888, and who departed this life in 1892. As above stated, Mr. Kivits belongs to St. Joseph church, as do also his wife and family, all of whom have ever been loyal to the religion which they profess. Mr. Kivits is a member of branch No. 630, Catholic Knights of America.

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**J**OSEPH KLEIN, foreman for the Jasper Furniture company, is a son of Frederick and Anna (Filing) Klein, both from Germany, where Joseph was born February 28, 1849, whence he was brought to the United States by his parents when he was six years of age, and was reared in Ohio. After coming to Dubois county, Ind., he was employed in a saw-mill for twelve years at Jasper and was then made foreman by the directors.

Mr. Klein was married first to Anglebirtha Reling, and they had one child, Mary. Mrs. Klein died in 1870, and Mr. Klein next married, June 3, 1873, Marguerite Fisher, daughter of S. Fisher, of Dubois county; this marriage has been blessed with six children, all living, viz: John J., Anna, Lizzie, Albert, Leo and Olivia. The family are all members of St. Joseph church, and in politics Mr. Klein is a stanch democrat. Mr. Klein is also a member of the Catholic Knights of Jasper, being sergeant of the uniform rank.

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**J**OHN KLUEBER, JR., proprietor of a popular clothing house in Aurora, Ind., is a son of John and Antonia (Matin) Klueber, and was born in Aurora, March 8, 1858. He attended the parochial schools until he attained the age of thirteen years, then for five years worked in a cooper shop; then he began work for Joseph Meyer in the capacity of clerk, at Aurora, in 1875, and continued with that gentleman until 1885, when he opened up his present business, March 30, putting in a small stock of clothing, and has met with marked success.

Mr. Klueber has been, indeed, very prosperous, and is now a stockholder in and vice-president of the Aurora Tool works. He

was married February 23, 1886, to Miss Carolina Frank, a daughter of Vincent and Margaret Frank, of Aurora. Mr. and Mrs. Klueber have five children, viz: Pauline, Evaline, Lenora, Carolina and Ottilia, all members of the church of the Immaculate Conception. Mr. Klueber is also a member of Aurora commandery, No. 232, Knights of St. John, and of St. Joseph and St. George Benevolent societies, and is very liberal in his contributions to the support of his church and in aid of these sodalities. He is affable and attentive to the needs of his patrons, never misrepresents the quality of his goods, and in consequence has met with the success he so well merits.

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**A**NTHONY J. KLEIN, president of the Southwestern Broom Manufacturing company and a member of the firm of Rosenberger, Klein & Co., wholesale and retail grocers at Evansville, Ind., and also a member of the Certain Cure company, manufacturers of patent medicines of acknowledged merit, was born in Germany, July 23, 1855, a son of Anthony and Josepha (Hoffman) Klein. He was primarily educated in the Catholic schools of his native land and in the United States, and this education was supplemented by a course of study in a commercial college. He began his business life in 1870 as a bookkeeper, and by his close attention to his duties has worked himself upward to his present prominence as a business man.

May 25, 1880, Mr. Klein was united in marriage with Miss Mary Nienhaus, who was born in St. Wendell's, Ind., November 13, 1857, a daughter of Bernard Nienhaus, and this union has been blessed with four children, viz: Alfred, Emma, Mamie and Lilly. The family are members of St. Boniface church, and Mr. Klein is a member of the Catholic Knights of America, is a director in St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery association, and is also a director of the First National bank of Evansville. In politics Mr. Klein is a democrat, but has never been offensively partisan, nor has he ever sought office for the sake of pecuniary emolument. He and family stand high socially, and are liberal in their contri-

butions to the support of the church, and Mr. Klein willingly extends his aid in advancing any project designed for the good of the public.

**A**LPHONS KOHNE, one of the most prosperous farmers of Washington, township, Adams county, Ind., was born three miles east of Decatur, May 19, 1855, on the family homestead, and is a son of Anthony and Elizabeth (Klaphake) Kohne.

Anthony Kohne, father of subject, was born in Bresenbrook, kingdom of Hanover, Germany, December 6, 1806, and there learned the baking business. March 17, 1835, he sailed for America, accompanied by his sister, Philomena, and Henry Derkes, a friend, landed in New York May 4, and soon afterward Mr. Derkes and Philomena Kohne were united in matrimony. From New York the party came to Indiana, and in 1837 Anthony Kohne entered a claim for the land on which his son, Alphons, now lives, the government deeding the land November 10, 1840. In 1841, Anthony Kohne married a Miss Mentor, who lived but a short time. May 17, 1845, he married, at the Redeemer's church, on Third avenue, New York city, Miss Mary E. Klaphake, who was born in Hanover, Germany, January 6, 1822. Mr. Kohne was the first Catholic to settle in Adams county, and in 1843, when the project was first broached for the erection of a Catholic house of worship in Decatur, he took a subscription book and traversed the country from Decatur to Detroit, and so on to New York city. This book of subscriptions is now in the possession of his son, Alphons. On the return of Mr. Kohne from his tour, he brought with him the lady whom he had married in New York, and settled down on his farm, where his wife died April 16, 1867, and where his own death occurred October 27, 1882.

Alphons Kohne, whose name opens this sketch, was educated in the schools of his native township, and has always lived on the farm on which he was born. He was married, October 26, 1886, at Fort Wayne, by the Rev. Father Oechtering, to Miss Mary Gales, and this marriage has been blessed with six children, named Ida, Alberta, Estella, Agnes, Raymond and Aloysius. The family

belong to St. Mary's Catholic church, at Decatur, and Mr. Kohne is a member of St. Joseph's society. He has led a life of industry and sobriety, has prospered in his vocation, and he and family are esteemed as among the most respectable people of Washington township. In the fall of 1897 Mr. Kohne removed to Decatur in order to give his children better school advantages.

**C**HARLES KOKENGE, the principal dealer in hardware, tinware and stoves, at Avilla, Noble county, Ind., was born in Minster, Ohio, April 14, 1856, a son of Joseph and Agnes (Heitkamp) Kokenge, natives of Germany.

Joseph Kokenge came to the United States when a boy, and grew to manhood in Minster, Ohio, where he learned the carpenter's trade, which, in conjunction with school-teaching, afforded him the means for a comfortable subsistence. He married Miss Heitkamp in Minster, and to this union were born eight children, viz: Mary, Charles, Barney, Henry, Elizabeth, Louise, Joseph and Amelia — all reared in the Catholic faith. In this faith the father passed away in 1875; his widow, also a devout Catholic, still resides at the old home in Minster.

Charles Kokenge attended the parochial school at Minster until fourteen years of age, when he was apprenticed to a tinsmith in Glandorf, Ohio, with whom he served three years, and afterward worked as a journeyman, in various towns, until twenty-nine years old. In 1885 he settled in Avilla, Ind., and for five years, in partnership with A. Vogeding, conducted a hardware and tinware store and shop, but at the expiration of that period started his present establishment on his sole account, now carrying a full line of stoves, hardware, etc., and manufacturing tinware of every variety to order, beside keeping on hand a ready-made stock for instant delivery, and doing, also, general repair work.

The marriage of Mr. Kokenge took place at Glandorf, Ohio, May 12, 1885, to Miss Mary Helmer, who was born in Avilla, Ind., October 15, 1865, a daughter of Joseph and Hannah (Kreienbrink) Helmer, natives of the Buckeye state and of German extraction.

Mr. and Mrs. Helmer were the parents of six children—Henry, John, Joseph, two deceased and Mary (Mrs. Kokenge). Both parents were called to rest in 1872, dying in the Catholic faith. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Kokenge has been blessed with five children, born in the following order: Charles, Loretta, Lucinda, Edward and Irvin. They belong to the congregation of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at Avilla, of which Mr. Kokenge is a trustee, and he is also a member of St. Joseph society and the Benevolent society at Glandorf. Mr. Kokenge has been an industrious and temperate man all his life and owns a neat dwelling in Avilla, where his leisure hours are passed in domestic felicity and the enjoyment of the society of his numerous friends.

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**B**ENJAMIN JOHN KNAPKE, a well-known business man of Decatur, Ind., was born in Mercer county, Ohio, July 9, 1866, a son of Bernard and Anna Knapke, the father being a native of Mercer county, and the mother of Holland. Bernard Knapke was born in the year 1843, married, in 1865, Anna Vanderbush, and all his life has followed agricultural pursuits, which he still carries on. The following are the names of the ten children of Bernard and Anna Knapke: John, Frank, William, Anthony, Henry, Joseph, Rose, Lizzie, Katie, who married B. J. Bertke, and Benjamin, whose name introduces this sketch and who is the eldest of the family.

Benjamin J. Knapke attended the parochial school at Cranberry Prairie, Mercer county, Ohio, until his fifteenth year, from which time, until attaining his majority, he assisted his father on the farm. In 1889, at the age of twenty-two, he came to Decatur, Ind., and entered the employ of J. W. Voglewede in the latter's café, which he purchased in 1895 and of which he is the present proprietor. Mr. Knapke's place is one of the most popular resorts in the city and he does an extensive and lucrative business.

He was united in marriage at St. Francis church, Mercer county, Ohio, November 16, 1893, with Maggie Meibers, the ceremony, which made them man and wife, being performed by Father



Den Branden De Reeth. For some time he taught private school, and later for three years at the Louvaine seminary; in 1886 he came to America, landing in New York, and coming thence to the diocese of Fort Wayne, Ind. His first appointment was made by Bishop Dwenger, of this diocese, to North Judson and the mission of Koutz, where he officiated four years, doing excellent ministerial duty. In 1891 he was appointed pastor of St. Casimir parish, by Bishop Dwenger, and here, at Hammond, he has worked most earnestly and assiduously, increasing his congregation from thirty families to 120, with seventy pupils attending the parochial school. Father Kobylinski has not yet been able to accomplish all that he desires, owing to the limited means of the congregation over which he presides in his holy office, but he is laying a foundation for the future that will culminate, in a very short period of time, in making the Polish parish of Hammond a matter of pride to the people of the town and an honor to Catholicity. He is still young and energetic, and has clasped his faith to his soul with hooks of steel, and it is a mere matter of time before he will make his way to further advancement with his superiors in the church, who are never slow in recognizing ability in its servitors, wherever found.

CHARLES VALENTINE KORPAL, prominent as a member of St. Hedwig Polish Catholic church at South Bend, Ind., was born in Poland February 14, 1853, a son of Valentine and Josephine (Zagrodnik) Korpál, the former of whom was born in 1824 and died in 1894; the latter born in 1830, died in 1893, and both in the faith of the Roman Catholic church.

Valentine Korpál, father of Charles Valentine, the subject, attended the parochial school of his native parish until fourteen years of age, and then devoted himself to his life-long pursuit of farming, inheriting, at the death of his father, his own farm, which he occupied until his decease. He had married, in 1851, at the village of Krostkowa, Poland, Josephine Zagrodnik, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Father Tessmer, the fruit of the union being four sons and four daughters, viz: Weadyslaus, Martin, John



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Catherine, Josephia, Onellia, Stella and Charles V. The remains of the parents lie interred, side by side, in St. Valentine's cemetery, in the village of Krotskowa, Poland.

Charles Valentine Korpál, the subject of this memoir, attended the parochial school in his native village until nineteen years of age, and then came to America, landing in New York city in the spring of 1872, whence he came directly to South Bend, arriving here March 31. He first found employment here as a molder with the Oliver Chilled Plow company, and held his position until 1880, and then worked for the Studebaker Wagon Manufacturing company for a year. In 1881 he was appointed deputy street commissioner of South Bend, filled the office three years, then for three years was a city policeman; in 1890, he served a term as alderman from the Sixth ward, and during the first term of President Cleveland he was mail carrier, and after serving out his various official positions he engaged in general merchandizing, and is now conducting one of the most popular grocery and clothing stores in the city of South Bend. He has built for himself a handsome brick store, equipped with every modern improvement, and his trade is one of the most thriving of its class in the city.

The marriage of Mr. Korpál took place May 5, 1875, in St. Patrick's church, South Bend, to Miss Catherine Gonía, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Father Mahoney. This union has been blessed with three children, all at home with their parents and named, in order of birth, Stella, Weadylous and Tillie, all reared in the Catholic faith. Mr. Korpál is a member of St. Valentine and St. Stanislaus societies, and for sixteen years has been president of the latter. He is one of the oldest Catholic residents of Polish descent, in South Bend, and is consequently held in the highest esteem by his fellow-countrymen and the public at large, Polish or not Polish, Catholic or non-Catholic.

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**M**ATTHIAS JOSEPH KRAMER, the popular dealer in general merchandise at Crown Point, Lake county, Ind., is a native of this city, was born October 30, 1854, and is a son of Matthias and Susan (Wachter) Kramer, natives of Germany, born in 1824

and 1823 respectively, and married in Besringent in 1851, the marriage resulting in the birth of Leonard, now living in Chestertown, Ind.; Mrs. Catherine Quick, of Chicago; Angeline, wife of Michael Kolp, of Hammond, Ind.; Elizabeth and Maggie, of Crown Point, and Matthias J., the subject of this sketch. In 1852, Matthias Kramer brought his wife to America, and for a short time worked in Chicago, Ill., at his trade of shoemaking, then came to St. John's, in Lake county, Ind., where he and family were among the early attendants of mass in the pioneer days of the Catholic mission at that village. In the fall of 1852 he brought his family to Crown Point, where he was bereft of the partner of his joys and sorrows in 1894, and where his own death took place March 11, 1894.

Matthias J. Kramer, the subject of this memoir, was educated in the public schools of his native city of Crown Point, and after securing a sound knowledge of the branches taught therein, served an apprenticeship at cabinetmaking, which trade he followed as a journeyman in Chicago for several years, and then returned to Crown Point and opened a general store, in which he has met with well-merited success, as he handles a large and well-selected stock of every variety of goods usually kept in a general store, and is courteous, obliging and desirous of supplying the needs of his numerous patrons, who appreciate his efforts to please.

Mr. Kramer was united in marriage May 4, 1879, at St. Mary's church, Crown Point, by Father Amelian, to Miss Elizabeth Ens-wiler, the union being blessed with nine children, all of whom have been reared in the Catholic faith, the family being members of St. Mary's congregation, of which Mr. Kramer has been a trustee for the past twelve years. Mr. Kramer is also a charter member of St. Mary's court, No. 293, C. O. F., organized December 10, 1892. Mr. Kramer and family hold a high position, and in church circles are very prominent, while as a business man Mr. Kramer has maintained a name that is without a blemish.

SEBASTIAN KUEBLER, a trustee of St. Joseph church, Jasper, Ind., for thirty-two years, and general merchant, is a son of John and Magdalena (Gutzwiler) Kuebler, was born in Baden,

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Germany, January 16, 1829, and came to the United States in 1832, locating in Ohio, where he remained until 1840. In the fall of 1840, he came to Dubois county, and here attended the local schools. He first engaged in farming, which he continued until he was sixteen years old, and then engaged in the manufacturing of farm implements until 1868; then in the tobacco and general merchandise business in Jasper, and has continued in the same ever since, now carrying a stock valued at \$15,000 or \$20,000. He has also been township trustee and justice of the peace. He was united in marriage in August, 1853, to Miss Stephena Lampert, a daughter of Martin Lampert, and this marriage has been blessed with ten children, viz: Elizabeth M., Maggie, Helen (now wife of A. M. Sweeney, of Indianapolis), Rosie, Edward J., William J., Frank C., Carrie (now wife of Robert Wilson, superintendent of public schools of Jasper), Teressa and Emma, all members of St. Joseph church at Jasper. Three of the children were confirmed by the Right Rev. Bishop de St. Palais, the rest by the Right Rev. Bishop Chatard. Mr. Kuebler owns a fine business block and reserves three rooms for his own use, while his youngest son, Frank C., uses another room for the general jewelry and wall-paper business.

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JACOB KREUTZER, a retired business man of Peru, Miami county, Ind., was born in Hesse Cassel, Germany, in August, 1827, a son of Amantes and Elizabeth (Schaffer) Kreutzer, who came to America in 1838, and settled in Auglaize county, Ohio, where the mother died in 1878, and the father, who was a farmer, passed away in 1881, both in the faith of the Catholic church, in which they reared their nine children, who were born and named in the following order: Sabina, now deceased; Peter, of Columbus, Ohio; David, of Wapakoneta, Ohio; Jacob, the subject of this sketch; Catherine, now Mrs. Joseph Shattler; Conrad, of Springfield, Ohio; Albert, of Toledo, Ohio; John, of the same city, and Celia, living in Wapakoneta.

Jacob Kreutzer was about eleven years old when brought to America by his parents, and remained with them in Auglaize

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county, Ohio, a year after their arrival, when he went to Dayton, in the same state, where he was employed as clerk in a store until 1852, when he came to Peru, Ind., and engaged in business on his own account as a general grocery merchant, which he most successfully followed until 1894, when he retired on a competency.

Mr. Kreutzer was united in marriage, in Allegheny City, Pa., April 17, 1854, by Rev. James Kearney, with Miss Margaret Lang, a native of Bavaria, Germany, born February 9, 1833, and a daughter of William and Mary Lang, and this union has resulted in the birth of six children, viz: Mary A., now Mrs. J. H. Faust, of Peru; John J.; Louisa, wife of H. J. Faust, of Cincinnati, Ohio; Catherine; Francis N., of whom further mention will be made, and Margaret, wife of Nicholas Bruck, of the firm of Bruck & Sons, brick manufacturers. The family are all devout Catholics, and Mr. Kreutzer has served on the building committee of his church, in which he always takes an active interest. In his business transactions, Mr. Kreutzer has managed excellently well, and is now the owner of a 280-acre farm, valuable residence property, an interest in a glass factory, and bank stock, and is also a director in the First National bank. He has always been a useful citizen, upright in all respects, and is greatly respected for his many excellent individual attributes.

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FRANCIS XAVIER KREUTZER, son of Jacob Kreutzer, whose biography is given above, was born in Peru, Ind., May 28, 1866, and attended the parochial schools until thirteen years of age; he next attended the public schools for five years, and then supplemented his education by a course of study at the college of Notre Dame, graduating from the commercial department in 1887. He then went to Chicago, Ills., accepted a position as corresponding secretary for W. B. Crane & Co., with whom he remained eighteen months, and June 1, 1889, came to Peru to assume the position of bookkeeper and manager for J. O. Cole, of the above firm, and this position he has filled in a most satisfactory manner up to the present time.

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Mr. Kreutzer was very happily married, in Peru, August 26, 1890, to Miss Catherine Sexton, who was born here August 26, 1866, a daughter of Patrick and Ann Sexton, and this union has been blessed with four children, viz: Lucille, Clare, Roland and Antoinette. The family belong to St. Charles Borromeo congregation, and Mr. Kreutzer is a member of the Catholic Knights of America. In politics he is a democrat.

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REV. JOSEPH F. GERDON, who is located at New Middletown, Ind., has possibly more work in parish and missions than any other priest in the two dioceses of Indiana. He is a native of Harrison county, Ind., and was born August 26, 1858, the second in a family of seven children born to John and Lucinda (Ekart) Gerdon, who have also two other sons who have finished their collegiate course at St. Meinrad and will enter the seminary this fall—1898. After an early educational training in the common schools, Father Gerdon, in September 3, 1883, entered St. Meinrad college and there finished the classical, philosophical and theological courses of study and was ordained priest March 18, 1893, by Right Rev. Bishop Chatard, at Indianapolis. His first work began at New Middletown, in the Most Precious Blood parish, in 1893, where the first church erected was by Rev. F. X. DeLange. It is a frame structure, to which an addition was built, in the fall of 1892, by Rev. Aug. Peckskamp, now of Lanesville, Ind. The home parish has a membership of fifty families, or about 250 souls. St. Peter's, at Buena Vista, ten miles southeast, is a mission with fifty-eight families, or about 320 souls; the church is a frame structure, erected by Father Peckskamp, and cost about \$1,200. The next mission is St. Joachim's at Bridgeport, Ind., ten miles east of the home parish, with about sixteen families, or eighty-five souls. The church is a frame, erected by Father Peckskamp, and cost about \$1,200. The next mission is St. Michael's parish, which is seven miles southwest of the home parish. It has a membership of about twenty-one families, or 100 souls; the first church erected in the county was a frame, and was built about sixty years ago.

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The next mission is St. Mary's, at Laconia, which has a membership of ten families, or seventy souls. The next mission is St. Joseph's, at Corydon, five and one-half miles northwest from the home parish, with about thirteen families, or about sixty-five souls. This is a remarkable record for one priest's work, and is not duplicated in either of the two dioceses of the state of Indiana.

Father Gerdon entered upon this arduous work in March, 1893. The home parish improvements, such as papering the church and parsonage, and fencing, new windows for the church and new roof, will amount to \$590. Improvements on the church at Buena Vista will amount to about \$305, and the improvements on St. Joachim's church will amount to about \$100. The church at Corydon was erected in 1897, and is a frame, cost \$2,250, and was dedicated October 15, 1897, by Bishop Chatard. Father Gerdon is now erecting a frame church, 28 x 60 feet, with a seventy-foot spire, at St. Michael's parish, at a cost of about \$1,500. The church will be ready for dedication in October, 1898, if nothing unforeseen happens. It is seen that Father Gerdon has more parish work than any two ordinary men; all his missions are in a healthy state financially, and no dissensions exist among the parishioners. He is known as an indefatigable worker and has the respect of Protestants as well as Catholics.

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REV. A. RIEHLE, pastor of St. Mary's parish, Vigo county, is a native of Ohio, born of German parentage, February 7, 1854, in the city of Cincinnati. He received his education in the Cincinnati seminary and St. Meinrad's Benedictine abbey, Ind., studying the classics and philosophy at the former and theology at the latter institution. Father Riehle was ordained priest by Rt. Rev. Bishop Chatard, of Vincennes, June 15, 1879, and immediately following his ordination was appointed assistant pastor of St. Mary's, the duties of which position he discharged from July 14 to October 15, of that year. Upon the removal of Father McCarron to Evansville, Father Riehle was made pastor of St. Mary's, a relation he still sustains. He is an earnest worker in the interests





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ST. MARY OF THE WOODS CHURCH,

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of the holy church, popular with the parishioners, whose confidence he enjoys in a marked degree, and his work has been such as to meet the commendation of his superiors in the church; under his wise oversight and vigilant care, St. Mary's parish has greatly prospered.

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**H**ENRY LACOSTE was born November 29, 1854, two miles from Vincennes, Ind., his present place of residence, a son of Michael and Eleanor (Du Prees) Lacoste, both natives of America, though of French ancestry. The former was born in Illinois, a son of Andrew Lacoste, who was a ranger for three years in the Blackhawk war, during which he was wounded by the Indians. The mother was a daughter of Louis and Angelina Du Prees, natives of Canada. Her parental grandfather died in Vincennes at the age of seventy-seven. He was engaged on the construction of the cathedral and the present brick church. She was one of a family of eleven children, but two of whom, beside herself, are now living.

Michael Lacoste, subject's father, was a farmer and mechanic and died in Vincennes in 1893. He was a soldier during the late war and received injuries which culminated in his death. He and wife were the parents of the following children: Louis, who died at the age of twelve years; Henry, our subject; Michael, a blacksmith; Elizabeth, wife of John Piquette, lives at Cadillac, Mich.; Samuel, also a blacksmith, in partnership with his brother Michael on Broadway; William, a printer and until recently, and for fourteen years, foreman in the office of the Vincennes Sun, resides with his mother at the corner of Fifth and Nicholas streets.

The first work of Henry Lacoste was that of farmer on the church farm near Vincennes, the property now owned by St. Frances Xavier church. He then took up the blacksmith's trade and has worked at it ever since. Although he has been employed at his trade in Illinois, Ohio, Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa, and other parts of Indiana, he has always considered Vincennes his home, and has been located at his present place on Broadway for the past nine years.

Mr. Lacoste was married in Vincennes, February 10, 1879,

to Miss Julia Baekman, daughter of William and Louisa Baekman, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Father Merz. To them seven children have been born, as follows: Louisa, Mabel, Chester W., Etna, Blanche, Ferley, and Johnny, who died in infancy. Our subject is prominently identified with the C. K. of A., St. Francis branch, of which he was a former president, and he and his family are active members of St. Francis Xavier church. In his political views Mr. Lacoste had always been a democrat (contrary to the political faith of his father, who was a strong republican), until the recent free-silver plank was introduced into that party's platform, when he was compelled to change his faith and support republican measures.

AUGUST FREDERICK KULL, who resides at No. 428 Walcott street, Indianapolis, Ind., was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, February 1, 1839, of highly respectable Protestant parents. Emigrating to the United States, he landed in New York May 4, 1866, remaining in that city about one month, and then going to St. Louis, and finally locating in Indianapolis, January 27, 1867. On February 1, following, he was married to Miss Magdalene Pfaff, a native of Baden, Germany, by Rev. Father Siegriest, the predecessor of the Rev. Father Scheideler. Mrs. Kull is just one month younger than her husband, and the two came to the United States at the same time, but in different ships, Mrs. Kull and a sister, now living in Leavenworth, Kans., coming together. Mr. and Mrs. Kull have for twenty-four years been residents of St. Mary's parish. They have had seven children born to them, as follows: Charles John, Carrie, Frank Joseph, Emma Anna and Herman Henry, living, and Mary and Anna, deceased, each of whom died at the age of eight years.

Mr. Kull is a carpenter by trade and was employed five years by Mr. Dickman; but since 1871 he has been in the service of the Big Four Railway company, occupying at the present time the position of car inspector. He has always been an industrious and highly respected citizen and his family are all true and faithful

members of the Catholic church. The children are their parents' pride, and bid fair to be valuable citizens of the country chosen by their parents to be the home of themselves and of their descendants.

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JOHN D. LACROIX, an extensive dealer in coal and ice, at No. 17 South Third street, Vincennes, Ind., is a native of this city, was born April 7, 1856, a son of Marcellus and Adele (Bayard) LaCroix, and descends from an old French family, which established itself in Vincennes over a century ago.

Marcellus LaCroix was born in Vincennes August 12, 1824, and received a classical education at a Catholic college in Canada. He was a dry-goods and general merchant through life, and of the six children born to his marriage with Miss Bayard, Mary, the eldest, died in childhood; John D. is the only son surviving; Annie is the wife of J. J. Price, an insurance agent, of Indianapolis; Adele, unmarried, lives with her mother; Earnest, the fifth born, died in infancy, and Helen, the youngest, also has her home with her mother. The father of this family was called away December 4, 1876.

John D. LaCroix was preliminarily educated in the parochial schools of his native city and received his first communion at about fourteen years of age. He then entered the public schools and completed the course at the high school. His first business venture was on Main street, between Third and Fourth, in partnership with Hugh Bowen, in the grocery trade, but at the close of a year Mr. LaCroix purchased his partner's interest, and for twelve years successfully carried on the establishment alone. It was while thus engaged, however, that he became interested in the coal and ice trade, in consequence which he soon afterward disposed of his grocery stock and gave his exclusive attention to the new branch, which he has since continued to augment. He is a member of the East Lake Ice company, and in both ice and coal controls a large wholesale traffic, in which he is assisted by six or seven employees, who handle both commodities on his own premises.

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The marriage of Mr. LaCroix took place June 5, 1885, to Miss Mary Brackett, a native of St. Louis, Mo., and a daughter of G. W. Brackett, deputy United States marshal, of that city. Mrs. LaCroix is a highly accomplished lady, having received her education in one of the famous Catholic institutions of learning in her native city. No children, however, have come to bless this otherwise blessed union. Mr. and Mrs. LaCroix are members of St. Francis Xavier congregation, with which, as already intimated, both the LaCroix and Bayard families have been connected ever since the diocese of Vincennes was erected, over a hundred years ago. In politics, Mr. LaCroix is a democrat, having been indoctrinated in the principles of the party by his father, who was at one time a democratic commissioner of the county of Knox, and also for many years a member of the Vincennes city council. It were useless to waste words as to the social standing of a family so long established in Vincennes and which has been so prominently connected with the growth of Knox county.

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**M**ICHAEL LAHEY, deceased, was born in county Kerry, Ireland, in 1852, and came to the United States in his young manhood. On June 14, 1868, he was married at St. John's Catholic church, by Rev. Father Bessonies, to Miss Hannah Neenan, also a native of county Kerry, and a daughter of John and Mary (Davis) Neenan, both natives of the same county in which they lived and died, being at the time of their death about sixty years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Neenan were the parents of eight children: Bridget, wife of John Rice, residing in Indianapolis; Hannah, who married the subject of this sketch; Annie, widow of Patrick Cronin, who died of yellow fever, is now residing in Memphis, Tenn.; Margaret, wife of James Mahoney, still lives in Ireland, where she has a family of grown-up children; Nora, wife of Patrick Harvey, resides in Memphis, Tenn.; Timothy left Indianapolis about ten years ago and has not been since heard from; Bartholomew, who came from Ireland to the United States and located in Memphis, Tenn., with the view of locating there permanently, is unmarried.

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Michael Lahey was a shoemaker by trade, and at this trade he worked from his manhood until his death, which event occurred in 1890. Timothy Lahey, a brother of the subject, and a laborer, now resides on Georgia street, in Indianapolis. Michael and Hannah Lahey were the parents of the following-named children, viz: Timothy, now employed at Kingan's packing house, and living with his mother; Mary, now Mrs. Wilbur Ryan, and living in Elmira, N. Y.; Kate, living at home; Johnny died at the age of six years, and Johnny, the second, died at the age of nine months; Hannah, and Bridget, the latter deceased. The family has always been in Indianapolis, and most of the time of their residence here have been members of St. John's Catholic church, to the support of which, Mr. Lahey, while living, was a liberal contributor. He died as he had lived, a devout Catholic, and highly respected by all that knew him. While not a wealthy man at the time of his death, yet he left his family in comfortable circumstances. Mrs. Lahey and her children are all active workers in their church, and for the cause of Catholicism, she being a member of the Living Rosary society and of the Sacred Heart. Mr. Lahey was a member of St. Patrick's Total Abstinence society, and Timothy is a member of the Young Men's institute. Timothy Lahey is a young man of excellent character, industrious, frugal and studious, and, being the only son, it falls largely to his lot to care for the family, which he is doing in a most commendable manner so far as possible, and thus is his mother's pride and his sisters' wise counsellor. Too much credit cannot be given him for the course of life he is pursuing and for the success with which he is meeting.

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REV. FRANCIS JOSEPH LAMBERT, pastor of St. Mary's church, Dunnington, Ind., was born in the diocese of Trier, Germany, February 14, 1857, and is a son of Peter and Christina (Snyder) Lambert. He was educated thoroughly at Trier and in the seminary of Louvaine, and was ordained a priest on March 10, 1883. In May, of the same year, he came to America and first located at the Nix settlement, in Whitley county, Ind., and from

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there was transferred to St. Anthony's church in Benton county, where he remained from 1884 until May 10, 1888, when he was appointed to his present charge. He labored strenuously with his flock, and in 1892 began the erection of a new church building, which was completed in 1893, but was not dedicated until September 27, 1896. Also in 1893 he established a school for the benefit of the young members of his flock, which is now attended by 110 pupils, under the supervision of the Sisters of St. Francis. The school holds its sessions in the old church building, which was remodeled for the purpose. A Sister's residence was also erected by Father Lambert in 1893, and in the development of this particular part of his charge he has manifested the utmost interest and diligence, while his labors for the spiritual welfare of his flock have been equally successful and persistent. The congregation is composed of about 125 families of mixed nationalities.

The original church building of St. Mary's, which has been utilized by Father Lambert as a school-house, was begun in July, and completed in September, 1876, at a cost of \$850. The present building, erected through the energy of Father Lambert, is of frame, is 125 x 52 feet, has a seating capacity of 600, and cost \$12,000, the material for its construction having been hauled six miles from the railroad depot. It is elegantly decorated interiorly, is finished in antique oak and the altar and furnishings, grand in themselves, cost about \$1,300. Father Lambert has been a hard worker, as well as a pious and diligent pastor, and well deserves the fond affection with which he is regarded by his flock.

FELIX LAMPERT, a trustee of St. Joseph church, of Jasper, Ind., and proprietor of the carriage and buggy works, is a son of Melchior and Rich (Dole) Lampert, was born March 19, 1836, in Baden, Germany, and was brought to the United States when he was three years of age, his parents locating in Dubois county, three miles east of Jasper. He was reared on a farm, attended the common schools, and at the age of seventeen years learned the carriage and buggy manufacturing business, and has continued



that trade ever since. Mr. Lampert was married, May 30, 1859, to Miss Helen Bretz, a daughter of William Bretz, of Dubois county, and to them were born nine children, of whom eight are still living, viz: William J., Edwin, Isabella, Caroline, George, Frank, Otto and Flora. All of the children belong to St. Joseph's church, Jasper, Ind., and Caroline is married to Joseph Fierste, of Jasper, a painter by trade. Mr. and Mrs. Lampert are very devout, and liberal in their contributions to the support of the church. Mr. Lampert has always been an industrious man, and has reared his family in respectability. Mr. Lampert is a member of the Catholic Knights, of Jasper, and is a democrat in politics.

JOHN LANDWERLEN, a highly respectable farmer of Shelby county, Ind., is a native of Alsace, Germany, and was born October 28, 1830, a son of John M. and Mary A. (Grengriner) Landwerlen, who were well-to-do agriculturists and the parents of eleven children, of whom four reached the years of maturity.

September 5, 1853, the subject was united in marriage by Rev. John Foltz, in his native country, to Miss Mary A. Rudoff, a native of his own province, born February 9, 1838, a daughter of George Rudolf and sister of the Rev. Francis Joseph Rudolf, pastor of St. Gabriel's church, Connersville, Ind. In 1854, Mr. Landwerlen and his bride came to America, landing in New York, whence they came to Oldenburg, Ind., where for a year subject worked at common laboring, and then moved to Fort Atkinson, Iowa, where he bought a farm of ninety acres, which he cultivated until 1864, when he sold, came to Shelby county, bought forty acres, and sold this also; he next bought his present farm of 128 acres in 1867, and here he has since made his home.

To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Landwerlen have been born ten children, viz: George A., of Oregon; Mary E., deceased; Catherine, wife of A. Renner, of Kansas; John M., of Shelby county; Joseph F., on the home place; Louis, in Indianapolis; Mary M., deceased; Vincent, of Indianapolis; Benedict and Lena, both at home. The Landwerlen family are all members of St.

Joseph's church, and live strictly up to the teachings of their beloved pastor. Mr. Landwerlen is a first-class farmer, is the owner of some fine Holstein cattle, and conducts his work intelligently as well as industriously; he enjoys the good opinion of all his neighbors and is recognized as a good and useful citizen.

REV. FRANK A. ROELL, pastor of the church of the Immaculate Conception, at Aurora, Dearborn county, Ind., is one of nine sons born to Henry and Catherine (Schacherer) Roell. The father was born in Bavaria, Germany, came to the United States in 1854, first located in Cincinnati, Ohio, and for several years was engaged in the brewery business; he next moved to Oldenburg, Ind., following the same business until 1867. He then disposed of his brewery, and located at Morris, Ind., where he conducts a hardware store and at the same time is connected with the Morris Coöperage Manufacturing company.

Rev. Frank A. Roell was born November 27, 1864, at Oldenburg, Ind., attended the parochial schools until thirteen years old, and then began to study for the priesthood at St. Meinrad's college. He was ordained May 26, 1888, by Bishop Chatard, and said his first mass June 13, following, at Morris. He was first stationed at St. Mark's (Tell City P. O.), where he officiated six months, and was then placed at New Albany to assist the Rev. Dean Faller, being the first assistant to receive a residence in St. Mary's parish. During his nine years' stay at New Albany, Father Roell was very zealous in the performance of his exacting duties, which included not only those pertaining to his position as assistant to Dean Faller, but to the care of the missions at Charlestown and Lexington, fifteen and twenty-five miles distant, on the Baltimore & Ohio S. W. railroad, of which missions he had exclusive charge six years. At Lexington he first read mass in an old warehouse, but in the spring of 1892 Father Roell broached the subject of the erection of a church building, and this project was readily coincided in by the congregation. Ground was broken the same season, the church completed at a cost of \$4,000, and, May 28, 1893, was dedicated





*Yours truly,*

*Frank A. Ball.*



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH,

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by Rt. Rev. Monsignor Bessonies, V. G., who stated in his dedicatory address that, whilst he had been dedicating churches in Indiana for over fifty years, this was the first one he ever dedicated free from debt. The name selected was that of the Mother of God. Father Roell, in 1896, purchased a cemetery, and the first interment therein took place in January, 1897, the remains being those of William Braniff, the first Catholic settler in that part of the country.

December 1, 1897, Father Roell was appointed to succeed Rev. A. A. Schenk as pastor of St. Joseph's, Vanderburgh county, and there he brought to bear the same zeal and energy he exercised when attached to the pastorate at New Albany, and won the sincere esteem and affection of his congregation, which was most loth to part with him, when, in May, 1898, he was transferred to the church of the Immaculate Conception at Aurora, Dearborn county, Ind., to succeed Rev. J. J. Macke. Here Father Roell has worked as faithfully as he had done in his former charges. Father Roell is genial and cordial by nature, suave in manner, and a thoroughly accomplished gentlemen as well as a pious and zealous priest.

**C**HARLES J. LANG, attorney at law and real estate agent, at Lawrenceburg, Ind., is a son of Francis X. and Catherine Lang. Francis X. Lang was born in Baden, Germany, June 3, 1838, and came to America at the age of eighteen, landed in New Orleans, and from there he went to Cincinnati, Ohio. In 1870 he located in Lawrenceburg, Ind., where he resided until his death, which occurred November 25, 1880. Catherine Lang was born in Dearborn county, Ind., and resides at Lawrenceburg.

Charles J. Lang was born in Dearborn county, Ind., November 15, 1869, and is one of a family of six children, of whom four are living, viz: Mary E., wife of F. A. Glockner, of Portsmouth, Ohio; Ametia J.; Charles J. and Anna E., a teacher in the public schools. He was educated in the parochial and public schools, which he attended until sixteen years of age and at St. Meinrad college. He then clerked in Cincinnati, Ohio, and next attended

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the Kentucky university, was graduated from the business department March 26, 1888, and also received his business training at Walter's Business college at Cincinnati, which he attended six months. He next engaged in the boot and shoe business with F. A. Glockner, in Lexington, Ky. He then attended the Cincinnati law school and was graduated May 25, 1892, and then returned to Lawrenceburg, Ind., and engaged in his present business, which his superior abilities and education have enabled him to carry to the uttermost point of success.

**J**OSEPH LARBES, a well-known cabinetmaker of Richmond, Ind., was born in Hanover, Germany, April 18, 1831, a son of John and Mary Larbes, the former of whom was born in 1800 and was reared to farming.

John Larbes was married at Hanover in 1820, to Mary Halker, who was born in 1803, and this union was blessed with four children, viz: Henry, of Cincinnati, Ohio; Benjamin, of Glendorf, Ohio; Lizzie, deceased, and Joseph. The father brought his family to America in 1854, and landed in Baltimore, Md., May 10, whence he went direct to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he resided twelve years, and there lost his wife in 1860. From Cincinnati Mr. Larbes removed to Glendorf, Ohio, where he passed the remainder of his life, dying in 1871.

Joseph Larbes received a good common-school education in his native country, and after leaving his studies was employed in farming until he came to the United States with his parents. At Cincinnati he was apprenticed to the cabinetmaking trade, which he followed twelve years in that city, and then came to Richmond, Ind., where he is still engaged in the same line and doing an excellent business.

The marriage of Mr. Larbes took place at Cincinnati, Ohio, May 20, 1864, to Miss Mary Shonlaw, the ceremony being performed at St. John's church by Rev. Father Otto. This union has been blessed with four children, of whom three, however, have passed away, viz: John, whose remains are interred in Cincinnati.



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and Rosa and Iphemia, whose mortal parts are interred in Richmond. The fourth child, Flavian, is finishing his education at St. Francis convent, Cincinnati. Mr. and Mrs. Larbes are devout Catholic members of St. Andrew's church. Mr. Larbes is also a member of St. Joseph's society, and Mrs. Larbes of St. Ann's society, and are highly respected by all their neighbors.

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**T**HE LARKIN BROTHERS, merchants of Loogootee, Ind., and doing the most extensive trade in the place, are the children of Patrick and Mary E. (Montgomery) Larkin and are both natives of the state of Indiana.

Patrick Larkin, the father of these two brothers, was born in county Kilkenny, Ireland, in 1809, and when a young man of twenty-one came to the United States and for several years was a cotton broker in New York. He married, in that city, a Miss Bowen, and a few years later came to Indiana and settled on a farm near Montgomery. Here his wife died in 1848, leaving three children, viz: Mary, who married Henry Campbell, but died in Loogootee, without issue; Elizabeth, who united with the Sisters of Providence, and is now known as Sister Mary Borgia, and Anna, who was married to James Adams, resides in Louisville, Ky., and is the mother of six children. In 1850 Mr. Larkin married, for his second wife, Miss Mary E. Montgomery, a native of Montgomery, Daviess county, Ind., and to this union were born six children, of whom two only reached the years of maturity—John L. and Patrick B., who constitute the firm of Larkin Brothers, as noted at the opening of this sketch. Mr. Larkin was called from earth April 27, 1867, a devoted member of the Catholic church, and his widow still makes her home on the old homestead of 400 acres, near Loogootee, on which the family settled in 1860.

John F. Larkin, the elder of the two surviving children of Patrick and Mary (Montgomery) Larkin, was born at Mount Pleasant, Martin county, Ind., July 29, 1858, was educated in the schools of Loogootee in the preparatory branches, and then passed two years in the university of Notre Dame. He remained on the

home farm until 1882, when the firm of Larkin Brothers was established, and he still manages the homestead, without in any manner neglecting his mercantile interests. In May, 1881, he married Miss Ella Crane, a native of Washington, Ind., and a daughter of Patrick Crane, and this union of Mr. and Mrs. Larkin has been blessed with eight children, viz: Mary, William, Clara, Helen, Alice, Frank, Anna and Joseph.

Patrick B. Larkin, brother of John F., was born in Loogootee November 14, 1860, was educated in its parochial schools and at the university of Notre Dame, and for a year after leaving college worked on the home farm, and then joined his brother in 1882, as previously remarked, in mercantile trade. In 1885 he married Miss Anna Reynolds, who was born in Loogootee in 1866, a daughter of Thomas Reynolds, and this union has been blessed with two children, viz: Bernard, born December 19, 1886, and Earnest, born January 4, 1894.

The firm of Larkin Brothers has met with marked success; it began in a small way, but now owns a double store-building and carries the largest stock of general merchandise owned in the town of Loogootee. They are extremely popular young business men, being polite and attentive to their patrons, and their social standing is with the best people of the county.

**THOMAS LAVELLE.**—Among the well known and highly esteemed Catholic citizens that settled in Indiana many years ago, and that have now passed away, should be mentioned Thomas Lavelle and his family. Mr. Lavelle's wife was, before her marriage, Eleanor Pryal, and both he and she were natives of county Mayo, Ireland. Mr. Lavelle was born in the parish of Lackin, but Mrs. Lavelle in another parish. Both belonged to excellent families, whose stations in life were much above the average citizen's, and many members of the Lavelle family were identified with noted Catholic orders.

Thomas Lavelle came to the United States in 1846 to establish a home for his family, and in 1848 his wife and three children

joined him in this country. The first home of the re-united family was at Cincinnati, but in 1853 they removed to Indiana, settling at Germantown, Wayne county, removing to Richmond, in the same state, in 1861. After a residence in Richmond of some years they settled on a farm, on which they lived until the death of the father, May 4, 1881. Mrs. Lavelle died May 24, 1884. Both were devoted members of the Catholic church, and liberal in its support, as well as being worthy and esteemed citizens. They were the parents of nine children—four sons and five daughters, that still survive, and of two that have died. Of these nine children, Catherine, Mary and Ella live at No. 228 Tenth street, and another daughter, Mrs. Barbara Theines, lives on Alabama street, Indianapolis; Patrick and John reside at Anderson, Ind., and the other brothers are Michael and Thomas. The daughter, Elizabeth, whose religious name is Felicitas, belongs to the order of the Sisters of Providence. Catherine, Mary and John were born in Ireland, Ella and Patrick were born in Cincinnati, Ohio, and the rest were born in Indiana. The children are all faithful to the instructions of their parents, and are warmly attached to the Catholic church, endeavoring in their daily walk to live in accordance with its precepts. All are considered among the best citizens of Indianapolis, and are held in high esteem by all who know them.

**M**ICHAEL LEARY, residing at No. 1351 Olive street, Indianapolis, was born in county Clare, Ireland, about the year 1846, a son of Daniel and Margaret Leary, both of whom are now deceased, having passed their lives in their native land—Michael, our subject, and his sister, Mrs. Margaret Walsh, being the sole survivors of the family.

Michael Leary landed in New York, August 26, 1866, whence he went to Pittsburg, Pa., where he remained five years, when he returned to New York and was there married to Miss Mary Barry, a native of county Clare, Ireland. In March, 1874, Mr. and Mrs. Leary came to Indianapolis, which city has since been their home, and since 1875 they have been members of St. Patrick's congre-

gation. The father of Mrs. Leary died in Ireland, but her mother, two daughters and a son came to America, the mother dying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leary September 21, 1894, at the advanced age of eighty-eight years. The brother and sister of Mrs. Leary died in New York city, so that she is now the only living member of her father's family. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Leary has been blessed with three children—Margaret, Daniel and Charles. The family are all pious Catholics, are very liberal in their contributions toward the support of the church, cheerfully assist it in work for good whenever an opportunity offers itself, and are greatly respected throughout the parish for their morality and their irreproachable walk through life.

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**A**DOLPH LEIMGRUBER, owner of a most respectable business room in Greensburg, Ind., is a native of Tell City, Ind., and was born December 30, 1865, a son of Sebastian and Juliana Leimgruber, natives of Switzerland, whose family consisted of the following-named children: Frank, Kate (Mrs. Klein), Mary and William (deceased), John (who died a member of the Catholic Knights of America, branch No. 557), William (second), Arnold, Adolph (subject), Henry and Peter. The elder two of this family were born in Switzerland and came to America with their parents, who for some time lived in Louisville, Ky., and then joined the Swiss colony in Perry county, Ind., and settled in Tell City, where the father, although a shoemaker by trade, opened a butcher business, which two of the sons are still conducting. The parents passed the remainder of their lives in Tell City, and died members of St. Paul's Catholic church.

Adolph Leimgruber received a good common-school education in Tell City, and there learned the cabinetmaker's trade, which he followed for several years. He was married to Annie Fromer, who was born in Napoleon, Ind., February 10, 1873, a daughter of Herman and Elizabeth (Leinhart) Fromer, who were both members of St. Mary's church, at Greensburg. Nicholas Fromer, the grandfather was born and married in Germany, and brought his family

to the United States about 1840. He settled near Napoleon, Ind., where he bought a farm, which he cultivated until his death, a member of the Catholic church at Napoleon. After his marriage, Mr. Leimgruber continued to reside in Tell City for a year, and then came to Greensburg. His marriage has been blessed with three children, Lillian M., Herman and Gustave, and he and his family are members of St. Mary's congregation. Mr. Leimgruber is a member of branch No. 557, Catholic Knights of America, at Tell City, also of council No. 31, Knights of St. John, and in politics is a republican. He is genial and pleasant in his demeanor and has made many friends since coming to Greensburg.

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**A**NTHONY F. LENAGHAN, member of hose company No. 17, Indianapolis city fire department, was born in county Mayo, Ireland, May 1, 1858, a son of Cornelius and Mary (Conway) Lenaghan, where the father passed away his life, dying about 1869, after which sad event the widow came immediately to America and located at North Vernon, Ind., but subsequently came to Indianapolis with her family of five children, viz: John, of this city; Anthony F., the subject of this sketch; Cornelius; Catherine, wife of Anthony Lenaghan, of Missouri, and Margaret, residing with her mother.

Anthony F. Lenaghan gained his education through his own exertions, that is to say, he paid from his earnings his tuition fees in the night-schools of Indianapolis and in a business college, and his early days of labor were passed as a skilled workman in the Kingan packing house, where he worked many years after reaching full manhood. October 8, 1895, he was appointed a member of the city fire department, and was assigned to duty with company No. 12, and on the organization of company No. 17, became one of its constituents, and is still one of most effective members.

Mr. Lenaghan was united in marriage, May 4, 1885, at North Vernon, Ind., in the church of the Immaculate Conception, to Miss Rose O'Hara, a native of Brownstown, Ind., of Irish parent-

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age and far-reaching Catholic ancestry. The result of this union has been five children, to-wit: Cornelius, aged twelve years; Gertrude, ten; James, eight and a half; John, four, and Rose Marie, one year. The family are members of St. John's church, and Mr. Lenaghan is a member of division No. 2, Ancient Order of Hibernians, of which he was for six years financial secretary, but resigned that office on being appointed to the fire department. In politics he is a democrat.

One little incident in the life of Anthony F. Lenaghan, outside of Indianapolis, is well worthy of mention, inasmuch as it resulted in an important family event—the bringing of the youngest three members of his mother's family to America. In 1880, he went to Florida, and for seven months was employed as track repairer on the Jacksonville & Fernandina railway, and in that short time saved the money necessary for the commendable purpose mentioned.

REV. JOHN RYVES, pastor of St. Ann's church, Terre Haute, is a native of Indiana, born in the city of New Albany, Floyd county, on the third day of November, 1858. He studied at St. Meinrad's Benedictine abbey, and was ordained priest at Indianapolis October 16, 1881, by Rt. Rev. Dr. Chatard, Bishop of Vincennes. His first active labors were at Newcastle, Henry county, Ind., where he remained for a period of eighteen months, during which time he succeeded in paying off all the debts of the church and placed the mission there upon a substantial basis. His next charge was at Richmond, where he again found occasion to exercise his ability in the way of discharging, in a short time, a large financial obligation. Father McMullen had previously with peculiar zeal and success carried on the work which required only the finish given by his successor. When, after nearly two years, he left that point, the congregation was stronger, and much more prosperous than when he found it. From Richmond, Father Ryves was transferred, July 3, 1885, to St. Ann's parish, Terre Haute, succeeding the Rev. John McCabe as pastor, and he has since





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remained rector of this congregation. When he took charge of this parish the house of worship was an indifferent frame structure, 35 x 66 feet in size, situated on the corner of Locust and Fourteenth streets, but in 1890 the building was removed to Locust and Fourteen-and-a-Half streets. It was enlarged and otherwise improved in order to accommodate this increasing suburban congregation. On the first of July, 1894, this building was almost totally ruined by fire. The loss was fully met by insurance. Grieved but not discouraged by the disaster, Father Ryves immediately went to work, and, nobly aided by his parishioners, succeeded, by the following November, in rebuilding and enlarging the frame church, which at this time (1898) proves commodious enough for the contented people who gather there to the number of 800 souls every Sunday morning. The present building, 35 x 112 feet in size, is interiorly well finished and furnished. It awakens, in those who visit, a sense of pleasure and of peace due to the order and due proportion of all its belongings. In April, 1893, Father Ryves began the erection of the present handsome rectory on the corner of Locust and Fourteenth streets—a large two-story frame structure, containing ten rooms, with all modern conveniences, which was completed the following year at an outlay of \$5,000.

Father Ryves is recognized as one of the ablest pastors of Terre Haute; he is an eloquent pulpit orator and has frequently responded to invitations to deliver public addresses before religious and educational assemblages in Terre Haute and elsewhere. On the day of the Terre Haute Columbian celebration, he delivered an address to the teachers and high school pupils which bore evidences of research and wide scholarship, and which by request of the public was published in full by the daily press of the city. He has been invited several times to address teachers' institutes and scholars at chapel exercises. Eulogies are annoying to him always and will be till he is dead. He calls attention to the fact that Terre Haute is an educational center, and, on account of the Sisters at St. Mary's and their school, Catholics are better understood here than elsewhere, and this city is the very home of religious tolerance. The pulpits here are notably free from rancor,

polemics are eschewed and the non-Catholics insist on an intellectual and broad-gauge method in presenting the Catholic side of religious questions.

JOHN N. LENAGHAN, wholesale and retail merchant, located at No. 909 South West street, Indianapolis, was born in Ballycroy, county Mayo, Ireland, November 19, 1857. He is a son of Cornelius and Mary (Conway) Lenaghan, both of whom were natives of county Mayo, and both of whom were highly connected in their native country, the latter being a cousin of Bishop Conway, so well known in the history of the Catholic church in Ireland. The father died in county Mayo in 1864, and the mother soon afterward came to the United States with her eldest two children, John N. and Anthony, settling at North Vernon, Ind., leaving three children in Ireland, who all joined her in this country about 1879.

John N. Lenaghan is the eldest of the family, and hence it devolved upon him in large measure to be its head and support for a number of years. On this account his education was somewhat neglected, but he managed to obtain a knowledge of the rudiments of an English education in the public schools, to which he has largely added by wide and careful reading of the best books and periodicals. Beginning life as an employee in a stone quarry, he entered in 1873 the employ of the J., M. & I. Railway company, changing after a few months to the Ohio & Mississippi Railway company, now the Baltimore & Ohio Railway company. Seven years of his life were spent with this company, and in 1882 he removed to Indianapolis, where he became an employee of the Kingan Packing company, remaining with them about two years, when he returned to railway work, becoming a contractor for the loading of cars. In 1888 he became engaged in the grocery trade, which in 1889 he exchanged for his present business. At first he was located on Missouri street, but six years ago he located at his present place, where he carries on both the wholesale and retail selling of liquors.

Mr. Lenaghan was married October 29, 1890, at St. Mary's

church, North Vernon, Ind., by Rev. G. M. Ginnsz, to Miss Mary Clark, a native of that town, and daughter of James and Margaret Clark, both natives of county Mayo, Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Lenaghan have two children—James and Margaret—the former born August 3, 1891, the latter April 15, 1894. The family are all members of St. John's Catholic church, of which Rev. Father Gavisk is pastor. Mr. Lenaghan is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, has been recording secretary of his lodge, and has also been a delegate to state conventions of the order. Dating back as his membership does for a period of seventeen or eighteen years, it has given him standing and importance in this well-known Irish society that nothing else could have done. He is also a member of the Improved Order of Knights of Pythias, and of the Ancient Order of Druids. Politically Mr. Lenaghan is a democrat, but he has neither held nor sought office; but his abilities and character have been long so well known that he has been called upon to fill many positions of trust and responsibility, notably those of guardian and administrator of estates, performing his duties in such positions to the satisfaction of all concerned.

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**C**ORNELIUS LENAGHAN was born in county Mayo, Ireland, June 11, 1862. He is a son of Cornelius and Mary (Conway) Lenaghan, the latter being a relative of Bishop Conway, of Ireland. They were both natives of county Mayo, in which the father died and where the mother still resided until 1869, when she came to the United States with her eldest two children, John and Anthony. She located in North Vernon, Ind., and there the family remained until 1883, removing at this time to Indianapolis. Mrs. Lenaghan is a member of St. John's Catholic church and lives with her son, John.

Cornelius Lenaghan, the subject of this sketch, remained in Ireland after his mother and two brothers came to this country, and attended school in Balycroy during his youthful years. Coming to the United States in 1879 he joined his mother at North Vernon, and there continued his studies. After leaving school he

began to work for himself, the first money he earned being obtained by selling blackberries at five cents per quart, having picked the blackberries himself. Most of his youthful days were spent as an employee of railroad companies. From 1883 to 1890 he was an employee of the Kingan Packing company, of Indianapolis, and on September 9, 1890, he opened his present place of business, which has a fine location and excellent trade.

Mr. Lenaghan was married at St. John's church, Indianapolis, by Rev. Father Gavisk, the pastor, January 18, 1893, to Miss Maggie McMahon, a native of county Clare, Ireland, where her father lived and died and where her mother now lives. Mr. and Mrs. Lenaghan have two children: Mary Adelaide, born November 5, 1893, and Anthony Thomas, born December 29, 1894. The family are all members of St. John's church, to the support of which they are liberal contributors. Mr. Lenaghan is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and he was one of the originators of the Celtic club. He is also a member and a trustee of the Irish American club. Politically he is a democrat, and is an influential member of his party, though not an office seeker. He is a young man of correct personal and business habits, and stands well as a citizen in his community, performing his duties as a member of his church, of the various social organizations to which he belongs and to general society in a commendable manner.

**B**ERNARD LINGERICH, a progressive and respected farmer of Washington township, Adams county, Ind., is a native of Westphalia, Germany, born November 30, 1840, and is a son of John Henry and Elizabeth (Kottreya) Lengerich, the former of whom was born in 1789 and died in 1851, and the latter, born in 1815, died in 1885—both in the faith of the Roman Catholic church.

Bernard Lengerich was educated in the parochial schools of his native province, which he attended until fourteen years of age, and then followed farming, which had been his father's occupation, working on the home place and elsewhere in Westphalia

until he was twenty-eight years old, when he came to America. In 1868 he landed in New York city, but immediately left that city for Ohio, where he joined his brother Wilhelm, who had come to this country a few years previously, and had settled on a farm near Minster. His stay with his brother was not of long duration, however, as within a few months he came to Indiana and engaged in farming on his own account three miles from Decatur, in Adams county. April 1, 1869, he married, at St. Mary's church, Decatur, Miss Nettie Bermann, the ceremony being solemnized by the Rev. Father Wemhoff. This union has been blessed with seven children, born in the following order: Bernard, Henry, Theodore, Joseph, August, Anna, and Herman—the last named being deceased.

The home farm of Mr. Lengerich comprises 100 acres, which he has improved in all respects, and through his untiring industry has been able to purchase another farm not far away, and this he has also improved to the utmost. The family are members of St. Mary's Catholic church at Decatur, and are very faithful in performing their religious duty, and liberal in their contributions to the support of the church and parish, and are well deserving of the high regard in which they are held by the members of the community in which they live.

**J**OHN S. LENHART, the extensive furniture dealer and cabinetmaker of Peru, Ind., was born in Mahoning county, Ohio, March 22, 1830, a son of Jacob and Lydia (Sprinkle) Lenhart, natives of York county, Pa., and of whom the former was a farmer all his life.

John S. Lenhart attended public school and lived with his parents until eighteen years old, when he was apprenticed to the cabinetmaker's trade, which he learned thoroughly and has followed up to the present time. He came to Peru, Ind., in May, 1859, and worked at his trade as a journeyman until 1874, when, in June of that year, he opened a furniture store, meeting with success from the start, and now carries a stock valued at \$8,000.

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He was married in Plymouth, Marshall county, Ind., in 1857, to Miss Ellen E. Sparks, the fruit of this union being six children, of whom four are still living, viz: Charles H., William F., Maud and Maggie—the sons being interested in the furniture business with their father.

Mr. Lenhart was converted to Catholicism in 1869, and on December 25 was baptized in the faith by the late Rev. Joseph Dwenger, afterward bishop of Fort Wayne, since when he has been an active and faithful worker in the church. He is also a charter member of branch No. 42, Catholic Knights of America, and for sixteen years has been its treasurer. In politics he is a democrat. He is an upright business man, and thoroughly understanding the quality of each article he handles, his patrons fully understand that he is not to be deceived by conscienceless manufacturers, and, as a consequence, carries no shoddy nor poorly-made-up articles for sale. His family, social, and church connections are very pleasant, and he enjoys the esteem of a wide circle of sincerely attached friends.

**D**ANIEL LENIHAN, who resides at No. 419 North West street, Indianapolis, has been a member of St. John's parish since 1882. He was born in county Galway, Ireland, but lost his parents when he was a child, and when he was ten years old he emigrated to the United States, having been sent for by an elder brother. This elder brother, named John, was located at Brownsburg, Ind., and still lives near that place.

Daniel Lenihan, his brother, John, and a sister, are all of the family that came to the United States, and are all that are now living. Two sisters have died, viz: Mary and Ellen. For a number of years after arriving in this country Daniel Lenihan lived with his brother John, and came from Hendricks county to Indianapolis. He was married June 12, 1889, to Miss Sarah Logan, daughter of Michael Logan, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this work. Mr. and Mrs. Lenihan have four children, viz: Julia, Thomas, Rose and Logan. Ellen, another child, died in early



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infancy. Socially Mr. Lenihan is of a genial and pleasant disposition, and has many friends in all walks of life, without regard to religious preferences. He is a good citizen and is highly esteemed by all.

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**H**ERMAN B. LODDE, the skilled watchmaker and jeweler, at 198 East Main street, LaFayette, Ind., was born in Munster, Westphalia, Germany, April 26, 1862, a son of Frederick and Gertrude (Trenkpohl) Lodde, who died in their native land in 1878 and 1872, respectively, leaving ten children, viz: Anthony, a farmer, residing near LaFayette with his wife and two children; Theodore, a dairyman of LaFayette, and the father of three children; Henry, Frederick, Bernhart and William, all four still living in Germany; Herman B., the subject of this sketch; Frank, who is married, resides in Kansas City, Mo., and has three children, and Mary and Elizabeth are still in Germany.

Herman B. Lodde learned his trade of jeweler in Germany, serving an apprenticeship of four and a half and working as a journeyman two and a half years in various cities of his native land; in 1883 he came to America, joining his three brothers, who resided in LaFayette. For a few week she worked at his trade in order to acquaint himself with American methods of doing business, and then opened a shop on his own account, chiefly for repairing. He was skillful, and soon secured a good trade, but in September, 1884, was robbed of over \$800 worth of goods, chiefly watches left with him for repair, and these, poor as he was at that time, he was compelled to replace, yet he did not give way to despair, but set manfully to work to redeem his fortune, and in this effort he was fully rewarded.

Mr. Lodde has been twice married. In 1885 he was joined in matrimony with Miss Emma Gosling, a native of LaFayette and a daughter of Henry S. Gosling. This lady died in 1891, the mother of four children, of whom two are still living—Elmer and Herman. In 1892 Mr. Lodde married Miss Kirkhoff, also a native of LaFayette, and a daughter of Anthony Kirkhoff, and this union has been blessed with one child, Vincent.

Mr. Lodde and family are members of St. Boniface congregation, of which he is a trustee, and are liberal in the support and advancement of the church's prosperity. Mr. Lodde is a Knight of St. John, a Knight of St. Paul, and a member of St. Joseph society, and is also a member of St. Boniface society and the C. B. L. He has his home at No. 162 North street, where he and wife most hospitably entertain their numerous friends.

**J**OHAN HENRY SCANLON, councilman from the Eleventh ward, Indianapolis, was born in Somerset, Perry county, Ohio, December 23, 1860, a son of Michael and Margaret (Lynch) Scanlon, natives of county Kerry, Ireland.

Michael and Margaret Scanlon were married in their native county and in 1852 came to the United States, settling in Somerset, the oldest Catholic settlement in the state. The father was a farmer, and to his marriage with Miss Lynch were born seven children, viz: Michael, a railroad section foreman on the Baltimore & Ohio road; John Henry, whose name opens this article; James A., a liveryman; Thomas Joseph, a professional bookkeeper; Mary, wife of Richard McGonigle, a machinist at Junction City, near Somerset; Margaret, wife of Samuel B. Dittoe, and Kate, housekeeper for her brother, John Henry. Both parents of this family were called to rest at Somerset in 1888 and 1889, respectively.

John H. Scanlon graduated from the high school of his native city in 1882, and then entered the law office of ex-Congressman William E. Finck, under whom he pursued his legal studies two years. In 1884 he came to Indianapolis on a visit, but was offered a clerkship by the American Express company, which he accepted and filled one year, and then entered the employ of the Sarven Wheel company, with which he remained nine years; in 1894 and 1895 he served as deputy county recorder, and for the past two years has conducted a sample room in Parnell Hall, at the corner of Maple and McCarty streets.

At the October election of 1897, Mr. Scanlon was elected, on the democratic ticket, a member of the city council from the



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Eleventh ward, and entered upon the discharge of the duties of his office on the 14th day of the same month. Mr. Scanlon is a young man of fine business capacity, is well informed, and something worthy of note will be heard from him at no distant time. He is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, in which order he has served as county president for two years, and is popular and respected wherever known.

REV. WILLIAM LIESEN, formerly pastor of St. Bernard's parish, Frenchtown, Harrison county, Ind., is a native of Quincy, Ill., and was born September 25, 1865, the youngest in a family of nine children born to William H. and Elizabeth (Middendorf) Liesen.

The early educational training of Father Liesen was obtained in the parochial school at St. Mary's (congregation), of his native city. He entered St. Francis Solanus college, at Quincy, at the age of twenty years, completed the Latin, classical and philosophical courses, graduated, and then entered St. Meinrad's college in September, 1892, finished the theological course, and was ordained priest in June, 1895, by Right Rev. Bishop Chatard. He was assigned as assistant priest to St. John's church, at Indianapolis, in the fall of 1895, and remained there in mission work until February, 1896, when he was selected as the successor of Rev. G. H. Moss, at the parish of St. Bernard, Frenchtown, Ind., and has administered to this congregation until the present time, September 3, 1898.

With the home parish Father Liesen had charge of St. Joseph's mission in Milltown, Crawford county, which is six miles distant, having an attendance of about 100 souls. St. Joseph's church was erected by Father Martin Andres. The home parish at St. Bernard has a membership of sixty families, or 200 souls. One creditable thing is that the parish has not a dollar's debt against it. The school is in charge of the Sisters of Providence—two as teachers and one as housekeeper—with an enrollment of about forty pupils. The congregation is in a very healthy state, and great credit is due Rev. G. H. Moss in the erection of the church, school and Sisters' home.

**G**EORGE A. LITOT, of Ft. Wayne (retired), is one of five children born to Alexis and Mary F. Litot, natives of France, both deceased.

George A. Litot was born June 15, 1828, in France, and came to the United States January 17, 1848, landing in New York, and locating, the same year, in Allen county, Ind., where he learned the miller's trade and followed this calling for thirty years in Fort Wayne. He was educated in the common schools and also attended college, and was married, first, to Mary C. Simon, a daughter of Francis Simon, of France. She died March 29, 1856, and Mr. Litot next married Miss Lucy Beuret, of Switzerland, a daughter of Xavier Beuret, and this marriage has been blessed with eleven children, of whom nine are living, viz: Joseph V., Mary M., Francis Eugene, Louis A., Edward L., John B., Peter J., George J. and Mary J. The family are all devout members of the Catholic church, and Mr. Litot is a member of St. Joseph's Benevolent society, and all enjoy the respect of the entire community. Mr. Litot resides at No. 425 Spy Run, where he owns a pleasant home, and has resided in the same block forty years.

**M**ARTIN B. LOGAN, doing business at No. 341 West McCarty street, Indianapolis, is a native of county Galway, Ireland, a son of John and Bridget Logan, but was left an orphan in early childhood and was cared for by his paternal grandparents until he was between twelve and thirteen years of age, when he came alone to the United States and lived in New Orleans about twenty-five years, and there learned the machinist's trade. After the close of the Civil war he came to Indianapolis, and was here employed by the Sinker & Davis company about thirteen months, when he went to Boston, Mass., where he worked at his trade for five years, when he returned to Indianapolis, to attend the funeral of a relative. He next spent a few months in Pittsburg, Pa., and then returned to his old employers in New Orleans, and for nine months, in 1878, assisted in overhauling the machinery in the United States mint. While in the Crescent City he married Miss

Bridget Connelly, a native of Ireland, and this union has been blessed with eight children, viz: John Lawrence, Mary A., Martin, Jr., Catherine Margaret, Bridget Helen, Thomas Andrew, Luke Joseph and Honora, all still under the parental roof in Indianapolis, in which city the parents permanently settled in 1890. The family are members of the St. John's church, and Mr. Logan is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and in politics is a democrat. The children are attendants at St. John's parochial school, and the eldest, a bright lad, also assists his father in his business.

John Logan, elder brother of Martin B. and the only other child born to John and Bridget Logan, was also reared by his paternal grandparents, but, as it was the dying request of the grandfather that one of these two brothers would remain with the grandmother until her decease, John undertook this duty and faithfully carried out the promise. A short time after the death of the grandmother John came to the United States, and for a short time resided in Pittsburg, Pa., whence he came to Indianapolis. He was a mechanic, sawyer and wheelwright, but in his later years entered the saloon business, in which he made a competency. He was never married, and just previous to his death, in 1890, requested his brother, Martin B., to take charge of the business, which request was complied with.

Martin B. Logan and wife are liberal contributors to the support of St. John's church and are faithful to their religious duties. They hold a high position with their fellow-parishioners, and as a business man Mr. Logan is both popular and successful.

**M**ICHAEL LOGAN, a prominent Catholic citizen of Indianapolis, resides at No. 419 North West street, with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Lenihan, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this work. Mr. Logan is one of the oldest continuous residents of Indianapolis, having located here April 5, 1851. He was born in county Galway, Ireland, in 1833, lost his father when a mere lad, and on his arrival in the United States

came direct to Indianapolis. He had been preceded to this country by a brother and sister, the former of whom was named Patrick. Michael Logan made the voyage across the Atlantic ocean in a sailing vessel, it having been arranged that his brother Patrick should meet him in New York. Patrick went to New York in accordance with this understanding, but on account of the wreck of the vessel bearing Michael across the sea, he was so long delayed, that his brother Patrick returned to his home before Michael arrived. Michael, therefore, upon reaching New York, came to Indianapolis alone, and here learned that about the time he reached New York his brother Patrick had died. Later, two other brothers of the subject, together with their mother, crossed the ocean, the names of the brothers being John and Thomas. The former has been dead for a number of years, and the latter is now the Rev. Thomas X. Logan, of Rushville, Ind. The Rev. Father Logan and Michael, the subject of this sketch, are the only ones of the family that still survive.

At the time Michael Logan located in Indianapolis there was but one small church in the place, of which the Rev. Father Gaghan was the pastor. Since 1851 Mr. Logan has been almost a continuous resident of the city, in the early days being absent occasionally for short intervals of time. In 1856 Mr. Logan was married to Miss Ann Doyle, who was born in county Galway. She died March 31, 1871, at the age of thirty-eight, leaving five children, of whom Mrs. Lanahan is the only surviving one. The names of these five children, in the order of their ages, were as follows: Thomas, Marie, Rose Ann, Sarah, now Mrs. Daniel Lanahan, and Lavina. There were several other children, all of whom died in childhood. After the death of his first wife Mr. Logan married Sabina Tulley, who died August 16, 1893. Mr. Logan has witnessed the growth of both church and city from small beginnings to their present proportions. He has been in the service of Kingan & Co., meat packers, for thirty-five years, or since 1863, a fact which speaks volumes for his integrity and faithfulness to duty, which has been well performed. He has always been a useful and highly esteemed citizen, and a most worthy and valuable member of the Catholic church.



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MICHAEL LOGAN, whose residence is at No. 1132 Olive street, Indianapolis, was born February 15, 1855, has been a resident of this city since a child of one year of age, and here he has grown to manhood and reached a prominent position as a citizen.

Patrick Logan, father of Michael, the subject, was born in county Galway, Ireland, there grew to manhood and there married Miss Catharine Ward, a native of the same county. Of the ten children born to this union three first saw the light of day in county Galway. Soon after the birth of the third child, Mr. Logan brought his family to America in a sailing vessel, landed in New Orleans, from that city came to Indiana, and for a few years lived in Madison. In 1857 the family came to Indianapolis, and located in St. Patrick's parish, but later removed to St. John's, where the father still lives, having now attained the advanced age of eighty years; the mother passed to grace in 1895, and of the children three sons and three daughters still survive.

Michael Logan received his first communion at St. Patrick's church, of which he is now a trustee, and was married in St. John's church by the Rev. Father O'Donaghue, October 3, 1877, to Miss Margaret Farrell, a native of Taylorsville, Ind., and a daughter of Thomas and Hanora Farrell. To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Logan no children have been born, but they have reared an adopted daughter, Kate. Mr. Logan is a highly respected citizen, has been employed by the Singer Manufacturing company, of Indianapolis, for the past twenty-five years, now holding the position of foreman, and since 1894 has been a trustee of St. Patrick's church. His residence since 1887 has been at No. 1132 Olive street, and he and his wife are numbered among the most respected and earnest Catholics of the parish.

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REV. FRANCIS LORDEDMANN, pastor of St. Patrick's church at Kokomo, Howard county, Ind., was born in Germany and received the foundation of his superior education in his native land. He came to America in 1869, and completed his studies at St. Francis academy, Milwaukee. In 1873 he was admitted to holy orders,

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being ordained by Bishop Dwenger, and in September of that year was stationed at Kokomo. During his early work at this station he did much mission service, attending the missions at Tipton, Noblesville, Buscher, Mullin's station and Frankfort, building at Tipton and Frankfort the first churches. He still attends the mission at Bunker Hill, fifteen miles distant from Kokomo, driving once a month to celebrate high mass and preach a sermon. This mission has a neat and comfortable frame church, which was built by Father Kelley, but has never had a resident pastor. Father Lordemann has attended this mission for eight years or more.

RT. REV. J. H. LUERS (deceased), first bishop of Fort Wayne, was born near Muenster, Germany, September 29, 1819. He came to the United States with his parents in 1833, and settled near Minster, Ohio, and shortly afterward engaged as clerk in a store in Piqua. Incidentally meeting with Bishop Purcell, the young clerk made known to him his desire of entering the priesthood and was accepted as a student for the diocese of Cincinnati. He completed his studies at the seminary of St. Francis Xavier, in Brown county, Ohio, and was ordained a priest in 1846. The young clergyman was stationed at St. Joseph's church, Cincinnati, where he completed the half-finished church edifice and erected a substantial school-house. When, in 1857, the see of Fort Wayne was established, Rev. J. H. Luers was chosen the first bishop, and was consecrated January 10, 1858. In a day or two afterward Bishop Luers departed for his new home, he lost no time in taking possession of his see, and in commencing the arduous work before him. He gave his early attention to the erection of a cathedral, for which Rev. Julian Benoit had already matured the plans, and in the spring of 1859 the present metropolitan church was begun. Bishop Luers attended the provincial councils of Cincinnati and the second plenary council of Baltimore. He was excused by the pope from attending the oecumenical council held in the Eternal city. In the year 1860 the bishop intended to erect an orphan asylum on a piece of land in the suburbs of

Fort Wayne, but delays occurred. In the meantime he learned of a large tract of land, 933 acres, in Jasper county, known as the Spitler farm, which he bought for \$18,000. There was a frame house upon it, which served as an orphan asylum for a number of years. In the visitations of his diocese, and in the labors among his flock, Bishop Luers was untiring. He visited town and village to instruct the people, administer confirmation, dedicate new churches and establish new parishes and schools. The bishop was noted for his charity to the poor, and to the orphans he was a kind and provident father.

In June, 1871, Rt. Rev. Bishop Luers went to Cleveland to administer holy orders. When his task had been completed he started for the railway station, but had scarcely turned away when he fell upon the sidewalk, a victim to apoplexy. He was carried back to the house and expired twenty minutes afterward. The Bishop's remains were carried to Fort Wayne in a funeral train draped in mourning, escorted by clergymen and laymen from both dioceses; other delegations joined the sad cortege at various points along the way, and on arriving at Fort Wayne every honor which veneration, love, and religion could suggest, was paid to his memory. His funeral took place in the cathedral of Fort Wayne, July 4, 1871, and was attended by Archbishop Purcell, Bishops De St. Palais, O'Hara, McCloskey, Toebbe, and Borgess, and a large delegation of clergy and laity. His remains were deposited in a vault under the cathedral sanctuary. The age of Bishop Luers was fifty-one years and nine months.

REV. FATHER FRANCIS B. LUEBBERMANN, of Mt. Vernon, Ind., is a son of Bernard and Mary Ann (Schmidt) Luebberrmann, both of northern Germany; they located in Indiana in 1865, coming from Cincinnati, Ohio, where our subject was born in June, 1857, and remained there until 1865. Francis B. attended the Christian Brothers' school of Cincinnati, and at the age of fourteen began preparing for a priest. He was ordained in 1880, and was located at Evansville, Ind., as assistant in Trinity church,

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and remained there until 1883, in all, three years. Then his health failed and he made a few changes for a short period. He located in Mt. Vernon in December, 1883, and after a brief respite returned in 1884, under permanent appointment to St. Matthew's church, and has remained ever since. He has a congregation of 125 families, but, when he came, he had seventy-eight families only—an increase of forty-seven.

Rev. Father Luebberrmann has been indefatigable in his labors to advance the prosperity of St. Matthew's parish, and being a gentleman of scholarly attainments and eloquence, and withal possessed of a genial temperament, he has won the sincere affection and esteem of his flock, and these amiable qualities have proven to be no small factors in the successful prosecution of the good work he has set before him. His zeal in church labor is untiring and unflagging, and being still in his early prime, no clergyman could well have been found to carry out, with as favorable prospects for the desired results, the commendable, yet arduous, duties to the performance of which he has been appointed.

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REV. ANTHONY A. SCHENK is the beloved pastor in charge of St. Michael's church, at Brookville, Franklin county, Ind. He first drew the breath of life in Posey county, this state, February 12, 1849, one of nine children born to Theodore and Frances Schenk, who were natives of Westphalia, Germany, and came to America when quite young. The father being a farmer, Anthony was also reared to agricultural pursuits until sixteen years of age, when he began a course of studies for the priesthood at St. Meinrad's college, Spencer county, where he completed the classics; then, for two years, studied philosophy at St. Joseph's college at Bardstown, Ky. Returning to St. Meinrad's, he studied theology, and was ordained on the 2nd day of November, 1873, by Bishop Maurice de St. Palais. December 6th of the same year he was placed in charge of the St. Ambrose congregation, at Seymour, Ind., where he remained until he was appointed to St. Joseph's, Vanderburg county, in November, 1887. During his stay at Sey-





*Anthony A. Schenk*



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mour the congregation built the St. Ambrose academy and day school, at a cost of \$10,000; also bought a house and lot for a parsonage, at a cost of \$1,000, and in 1884 the church-edifice received an addition costing \$4,000, the total expenditures for building, etc., being about \$16,000. The remaining indebtedness was only \$7,500.

Upon his locating at St. Joseph's, Vanderburg county, services were held in a school-room, there being no church; however, the first stone for the new church was laid on April 17, 1888, and the church completed (by the Rev. Schenk) in November, 1888. He also purchased a very handsome pipe organ. In connection with St. Joseph's parish, the Rev. Schenk had a congregation of 100 families, and also had under his supervision a school that was attended by two Franciscan Sisters, the pupils numbering about eighty. The school was built by Rev. Joseph Schock in 1878; a slate roof was also added later. After a service of ten years and one month, Father Schenk, notwithstanding the great improvements he had made, left the parish with an indebtedness of \$3,000 only.

On December 10, 1897, Father Schenk was placed in charge of St. Michael's church at Brookville, to replace the Rev. M. Fleischmann, now at Vincennes. It might be well to mention that few priests have gained such confidence of the Protestants, as well as the Catholics, as that accorded to Father Schenk in his various parishes. The work that he has done is a standing monument of his faithfulness, industry and ability, and his standing is such as to command the highest respect of all his congregation. (Father Schenk is a great admirer of fine horses, and owns and drives a noble trotter and road horse, which is the admiration of all beholders.)

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**H**ENRY LUKING, a popular shoe dealer and shoemaker of Connersville, Ind., was born in Springfield, Ohio, February 22, 1852, a son of E. H. and Fannie Luking, natives, respectively, of Hanover, Germany, and Strasbourg, France. E. H. and Fannie Luking, however, were married in Dayton, Ohio, in 1851, and

subsequently located in Springfield, where Mrs. Fannie Luking died in 1860. Mr. Luking continued to reside in Springfield until 1864, when he removed to Bellefontaine, Logan county, Ohio, where he followed his business of shoemaker and dealer until his death, which occurred in 1873, at Quincy, in the same county.

Henry Luking, the eldest of the five children born to his parents, learned shoemaking from his father, and worked as a journeyman at different places until 1880, when he came to Shelbyville, and here worked on the bench for another year, when he started a repair shop on his own account. In 1890 he laid in an assorted stock of footwear, valued at about \$200, and since has added to this until he now has one of the most complete establishments of the kind in the city, with stock valued at \$4,000, although he still works on the bench, in order to accommodate his customers with the best class of work.

Mr. Luking was united in marriage, at Bellefontaine, Ohio, October 25, 1882, with Miss Mary Kirk, a native of Kentucky, and to this union have been born five children, viz: William H., Josephine, Mary, Frances J. and Kathleen. Mr. and Mrs. Luking, with their children, live on their own property on Grand avenue, and are greatly respected by their neighbors. Mr. Luking is a devout Catholic, having united with the church at Connersville, under Father Rudolf, in 1881, and for four years held the position of trustee. Mrs. Luking is also very attentive to her religious duties and is a member of St. Ann's sodality. In politics Mr. Luking is a democrat, but has never been an office seeker. He has made his success in life through industry and good management, and well deserves the high esteem in which he is held by his fellow-citizens.

**D**ANIEL LYNCH, a well-known citizen of Terre Haute and member of St. Patrick's parish, is a native of Ireland, born on the first day of February, 1835. He remained in the land of his nativity until 1852, at which time he came to the United States, landing in New York city, thence went to Ware village, Mass., with the intention of joining a brother who had preceded him to

the new world; this brother having in the meantime moved to Chillicothe, Ohio, the subject followed him thither and made that city his home until 1854, in July of which year, in company with his brother, John Lynch, he came to Terre Haute, Ind., where he was joined fifteen days after his arrival by another brother, Patrick. Subsequently, about 1857, another brother, Michael Lynch, became a resident of Terre Haute, but in the meantime John went to Missouri, thence to Keokuk, Iowa, where his death occurred in 1862; Michael departed this life at the latter place in 1857, and Patrick, who is still living, is now a resident of the state of Illinois.

Immediately following his arrival at Terre Haute the subject of this sketch began learning the blacksmith trade, at which he served an apprenticeship of one year, after which he was employed by the new owners of the shop as a regular hand.

On the 15th day of May, 1859, Mr. Lynch and Mary Delaney, a native of the Emerald isle, were united in the holy bonds of wedlock by Rev. Father Damarin, and about three years later, on account of failing health, he discontinued his trade and for some time thereafter followed railroading for a livelihood. He returned to Terre Haute in 1862, from which time until 1877 he was in the employ of the railroad company, but in the latter year severed his connection with the road and embarked in mercantile pursuits, which he continued with varied success for a period of about four years.

Disposing of his stock, Mr. Lynch next engaged in tin and roofing business, and was thus interested until 1885, in the fall of which year he was appointed gauger in the United States revenue department, the duties of which position he discharged in a very efficient manner until February, 1892, when, by reason of change in the federal administration, he was obliged to resign the office. In the following fall, after the county election, he was made deputy sheriff of Vigo county, and continued as such for two years. Subsequently, upon the change in the national administration, he was reappointed to his former position as United States gauger for the south Indiana district, which he still holds.

Mr. Lynch has served as trustee of St. Patrick's church several terms, and has ever been active in looking after the interests

of his beloved parish. He has never wavered in his allegiance to the religion in which he was born, and all charitable and benevolent movements incident thereto find in him an earnest friend and liberal patron. He is a member of the Benevolent Order of Hibernians, and belongs to the Catholic Knights of America. Mr. and Mrs. Lynch have a family of eight children, whose names are as follows: Ella, Elodie, Eugene D., John, Margaret, Mary Honore, Katie and Daniel, all of whom are being piously trained in the holy religion of their parents.

**MATTHEW McCABE.**—Among the many well-known early Catholic residents of Indianapolis is the subject of this sketch and his family, who reside at No. 817 English avenue, within the limits of the parish of St. Patrick. Both Mr. and Mrs. McCabe arrived in Indianapolis in 1855, the former on the 29th of June, and the latter on the 1st of June, and were married the following year. At the time of their arrival the only Catholic church in the place was the little brick structure in St. John's parish, in which the German and Irish Catholics worshiped on each alternate Sunday, the officiating priest being Rev. Father Maloney. Mr. McCabe was born in county Cavan, Ireland, about 1820, and there he resided until 1845, when he came to the United States. Remaining in New York until the spring of 1846, he removed to Providence, R. I., and thence to Taunton, Mass. After a time he returned to New York and came thence to Indianapolis in 1855, as stated above. March 30, 1856, he was married to Miss Fanny Ferrell, daughter of James and Fanny Ferrell, Miss Fanny having been born in the city of Dublin, December 18, 1831. In the spring of 1844 she came to the United States, she being then the only child of the family. The family first located in Cincinnati, removing thence to Indianapolis in 1855, and there the mother died in 1864. Mr. Ferrell became a soldier in the Union army during the war of the Rebellion, and was never heard of again.

The parents of Mr. McCabe, John and Mary (Gafney) McCabe, remained in Ireland all their lives. They were the parents of five

children, four sons and one daughter, all born in the parish of Killmore. The sons were named: Patrick, James, Matthew and John, and the daughter was named Catherine. Patrick and Matthew—the latter the subject of this sketch—are the only ones that came to the United States.

Mr. and Mrs. McCabe are the parents of three living children, two sons and a daughter. The latter, Mary, is the wife of William A. Cuttshall; Frank, the elder son, is a resident of Chicago, and Vincent, the younger son, is living at home. They have lost four children by death, viz: Fanny, Edward, George and William. All of these passed away in early life.

For more than forty years Mr. and Mrs. McCabe have been residents of Indianapolis, and they have seen the church in that city grow from a single small building, with but a few worshipers, to many beautiful and costly church buildings, in which thousands of devout worshipers assemble on each Sunday to listen to words of wisdom and comfort as spoken by able representatives of the holy religion which guides their footsteps in their earthly pilgrimage, and which points to them the way to salvation. Mr. and Mrs. McCabe have ever borne an enviable reputation among their friends, and are highly esteemed by all that know them and are familiar with their daily walk. Mr. McCabe is now retired from business, and is living on the savings from his labors of earlier days.

JAMES H. LYONS, the gentlemanly proprietor of the favorite public place of resort at No. 840 Washington avenue, Indianapolis, was born in the parish of Kilcar, county Donegal, Ireland, July 14, 1867, a son of Patrick and Katherine (Hegarty) Lyons, of whom the former, who is a farmer, is still a resident of county Donegal, but the latter is deceased. The family comprised four sons and three daughters, still living in Ireland, with the exception of James H., the subject, and his sister, Mary. The five in Ireland are named John, Patrick, Edward, Bridget and Annie, all unmarried, the brothers being farmers.

James H. Lyons received a sound English education in his

native parish, and in September, 1889, came to Indianapolis, and for five years was employed by a dry-goods firm here as a traveling salesman through the southern states. He then located permanently in this city, and about three years ago purchased his present place, which is well fitted up, with pool tables, etc., and here he enjoys a very lucrative trade. He is a member of St. John's church, under the pastorate of Rev. F. H. Gavisk, but is not now connected with any fraternal order, permissible or otherwise. His success in business is largely due to his affability and gentlemanly behavior and to his genial good nature and desire to please.

VERY REV. EUGENE F. MCBARRON, pastor of the church of the Assumption, at Evansville, Ind., was born in Floyd county, Ind., June 18, 1844. His father, John McBarron, a native of Ireland, was born in the year 1807, came to the United States in 1837, locating in Floyd county, Ind., and for some years thereafter followed agricultural pursuits, later engaging in contracting. He resided on Floyd Knobs, Floyd county, until 1853, when he removed to New Albany, where he remained until his death, which occurred on the nineteenth day of March, 1893. He was married in St. Mary's church, Floyd Knobs, in the year 1840, to Mary O'Daly, who was born in Madison, Ind., August 15, 1822, daughter of Eugene and Sarah (Stevenson) O'Daly, natives of Ireland, and he became the father of seven children, four of whom grew to maturity—Andrew V., deceased; Rev. Eugene F.; Jane, wife of P. J. Ward, and Sarah; the rest of the children died young. The mother departed this life at New Albany January 7, 1855. John and Mary McBarron were members of Trinity parish, New Albany, noted for their piety and many works of charity, and they spared no pains in rearing their children according to the teachings of the Holy Catholic church.

Very Rev. Eugene F. McBarron received his elementary education in the public and parochial schools of New Albany and began his classical studies under the tutorship of the late Rev. Louis Neyron, M. D., C. S. C., of Notre Dame university, with

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whom he remained until his nineteenth year, and during this time learned the Latin language, fitting him for his college course. Later, he pursued his studies at the university of Notre Dame, and St. Meinrad's Benedictive abbey, remaining one year at the former and one and a half years at the latter institution, in addition to which he also spent one year at St. Thomas seminary, Kentucky. He completed his theological course at the Grand seminary, of St. Sulpice, Montreal, Canada, also learned the French language. He remained three years at the seminary in Canada, and was ordained priest, June 8, 1871, at Vincennes, Ind., by Bishop de St. Palais.

Following his ordination, Father McBarron was located at St. Mary's of the Woods, near Terre Haute, where he exercised his priestly functions from July 8, 1871, until October 27, 1879, when he was transferred to Evansville as immovable pastor of the church of the Assumption, the duties of which position he has since exercised. On taking charge of his work in Evansville the parish numbered about 200 families, but since 1879 it has greatly increased, the membership at this time being 300 families, the the great majority of whom are permanent residents.

Father McBarron built, in 1881, the beautiful parochial school-building, which accommodates 200 pupils, and in 1884 the pastor's residence, a fine modern dwelling, was completed under his personal management. In his manifold duties as pastor, many of which are exceedingly arduous, Father McBarron is assisted by Rev. Joseph F. Byrne; his first assistant was Rev. Patrick Henry Rowan, after whom Rev. Denis McCabe served for some time in the same capacity.

As a pastor, Father McBarron's labors have been of great magnitude and productive of much good in furthering the interests of the church both in a spiritual and temporal way. His life, consecrated to the noble cause of humanity and the service of the Master, has been filled with ceaseless toil and endeavor, and the fruits of his many labors are manifest in a deeper and more abiding spirituality in the parish which he has so long and faithfully served. There are few priests more worthy, better appreciated or more loved than Very Rev. Father McBarron.

**R**T. REV. ATHANASIUS SCHMITT, O. S. B., the present abbot of St. Meinrad's monastery, Spencer county, Ind., is a native of Oberweissenbrunn, parish of Bishofsheim Vor der Rhoen, Bavaria, Germany, was born October 20, 1860, and is the only son of five children born to Kaspar and Elizabeth (Reulbach) Schmitt. His primary education having been finished in the parochial schools of his native parish, he entered the gymnasium at Muennerstadt, near the world's renowned watering resort of Kissingen, in 1874, for a nine years' course of classical and philosophical study.

In September, 1883, he sailed from Bremen, his objective point being St. Meinrad's abbey, which he entered as a novice January 21, 1884, and made the vows as a Benedictine January 21, 1885. He here finished his courses of study for the priesthood and was ordained by Bishop Chatard on Corpus Christi day, at Jasper, Ind., in 1886. His first work after ordination was professor of mathematics and the Latin and Greek languages during the year 1886-87 at St. Meinrad's college. The first parish work was in the present cathedral at Belleville, Ill., where he remained until 1888; then he was called to mission work in Kentucky, and this work was hard and arduous, as his travels were mostly on horse-back through the woods and brush over four counties, and reached to the Tennessee line.

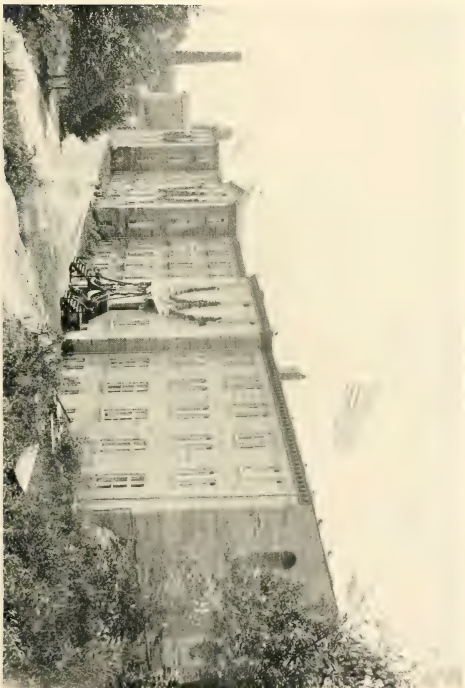
He then was called by his saintly predecessor, Abbot Fintan, to go to Jasper and erect the college. In 1888-89 the commercial department at Jasper was an annex to St. Meinrad's college; the scientific department was added to the commercial course. This beautiful institution stands like a sentinel on an eminence, overlooking the town of Jasper. It is a credit to the ceaseless toil and attention of Abbot Athanasius. This college was erected and finished in 1892 at a cost of \$25,000. He remained as rector of Jasper college until August, 1895, and then became rector of the Ecclesiastical seminary, composing the philosophical and theological department at St. Meinrad's abbey; he filled this position for three years, until he was elected, March 16, 1898, to the high position of abbot of St. Meinrad's abbey, as the successor of Abbot Fintan Mundwiler. The documents of the election were sent to







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Rome for approbation and confirmation a few days after the election, were signed May 16, and arrived at the abbey on the 28th day of May, 1898.

The solemn blessing of the new abbey at St. Meinrad, which occurred June 15, 1898, was one of the grandest occasions in the southern diocese, of Indianapolis, and was attended by a great concourse of priests and prominent laity. Beside the Bishop Chatard there were the following prominent officials from abroad: Abbot of Conception, of Mo.; abbot of Atchison, Kans.; abbot of New Subjaco, Little Rock, Ark.; abbot of Chicago; Very Rev. Prior Lucas, of St. Joseph's priory, of Louisiana; Very Rev. Placidus, prior of St. Vincent arch-abbey, of Pennsylvania; Very Rev. Anthony Scheideler, vicar-general of the diocese of Indianapolis, and the superiors of the different religious communities.

There are 110 members in the abbey at present. The school year opens September 8, 1898, and the attendance averages about 125 for the classical, philosophical and theological courses. With the abbey are connected several parishes, the different Indian schools and missions in South and North Dakota, also several missionary districts in Louisiana.

REV. DENIS McCABE, rector of the newly erected Holy Cross church at Indianapolis, is a native of Aurora, Ind., was born January 9, 1866, and was primarily educated in the parochial schools of his native city. His classical instruction was received at St. Joseph's college, Bardstown, Ky., and his knowledge of theology was acquired at St. Mary's university, Baltimore, Md. He was ordained December 22, 1888, and entered upon his pastoral duties as assistant at Holy Trinity church, New Albany, Ind., whence he was transferred to the cathedral at Vincennes, where he officiated three years. He was next appointed pastor at Liberty, Ind., and then of the church of the Assumption at Evansville, and from there transferred to his present charge, on the death of Rev. W. F. Quigley, who was the first pastor of this congregation, which is comparatively new and comprises about

300 families. Here he has done good and faithful work, and has won the hearts of his flock, who revere him for his piety and his benignant deportment, as well as for his profundity in knowledge and charity of thought and act.

REV. JOHN HERMANN HUESER, D. D., pastor of SS. Peter and Paul's church, Huntington, Ind., was born November 8, 1839, in the diocese of Paderborn, Westphalia, Germany, made his philosophical and theological studies in Muenster and Innsbruck, where he received the degree of a doctor of divinity, was ordained priest on September 21, 1863, in Brixen, Tyrol, worked three years in the care of souls in his native diocese of Paderborn, and in October, 1866, entered the American college in Louvain, Belgium, to prepare for the missions and to study the English language. There he also taught dogmatic theology as a supplementary professor.

He landed in New York in November, 1867, and placed himself, for the time being, at the disposal of Bishop de St. Palais of Vincennes, who sent him as pastor to Millhousen, Decatur county, Ind. In punishment for rebellion against the priest, the congregation was under the interdict, neighboring priests being strictly forbidden by the ordinary to bury the dead. The foundation for a large church of Gothic style had been laid; but the work having been interrupted, brick and other building material were in danger of being spoiled. Father Hueser gained the confidence of the people, and had the church, with the exception of the steeple, finished within fifteen months. He had the old brick church transformed into a school-house, and a convent built for the Sisters of St. Francis from Oldenburg, Ind., whom he had induced to take charge of the schools. He remembers this good country people with a sincere feeling of gratitude for the welcome and assistance extended to him, a recent immigrant of no experience.

At that time Father Hueser began to feel deep interest in a movement centered in Cincinnati, the object of which was to start Catholic colonies in the south. He offered his services and good

will to the Right Rev. Bishop of Nashville, Patrick Feehan, who sent him to Lawrenceburg, Tenn., to take care of the new settlers. There, at a distance of about 100 miles from the next priest, and without railroad facilities, he led the life of a hermit. In the next year another priest took charge of Lawrenceburg, whilst Father Hueser started a new settlement fourteen miles farther south, naming it Loretto. There he built a house for himself and teacher, and erected a frame church, which, after mass, served as a school-room. Six miles farther south he located St. Joseph, where he built a frame church, which served also as a school-room. Eight miles east from there he built a log church, and named the settlement St. Mary's; fourteen miles south from St. Joseph, he located, with the permission and encouragement of Bishop John Quinlan, of Mobile, a settlement near Florence, Ala., and gave it the name St. Florian. There he built a frame church and priesthouse. Rev. Mike Merz, of the diocese of Vincennes, became the first pastor of St. Florian.

After five years of a restless life, Father Hueser was no longer able to stay in the colonies, his resources being exhausted. Divine Providence induced the Reverend Fathers of the Most Precious Blood to provide for the spiritual needs of the settlers in Tennessee, and the Benedictine Fathers of St. Vincent, Pa., to take charge of St. Florian after the death of Rev. Merz from the small-pox, which plague had been brought there from Cincinnati by contagion. St. Florian became thus the starting point for a religious family of Benedictine monks in Alabama, where they now conduct a college and attend several congregations from St. Bernard abbey in Cullman. Father Hueser then returned north and became, for accommodation, en passant, the editor of the *Wahrheitsfreund* during the sickness and after the death of Mr. Baumstark. Later on he was invited by Bishop Joseph Dwenger to join the diocese of Fort Wayne. He accepted the invitation and was made acting pastor of Huntington, taking for a while the place of Father Steiner during his one year's sojourn in Florida and Minnesota for the recovery of his health. When, in October, 1877, Father Steiner received an assistant, Rev. Hueser was sent to Hesse Cassel to provide for St. Joseph's congregation. There he built a school

and convent, for which the good people cheerfully made the necessary contributions. In January, 1880, after the resignation of Father Steiner, Rev. Hueser was appointed pastor of SS. Peter and Paul's congregation, which position he still holds.

The leisure hours of Father Hueser have partly been spent in literary pursuits. Aside from his journalistic activity, he wrote four volumes of sermon sketches, which passed through three editions in America, and through more in Ireland, the work having been reprinted by M. H. Gill & Son, in Dublin. He is also the author of *The Catechism in the Pulpit*, a series of sermons on a catechetical plan, and, jointly with others, he wrote a *Catholic Catechism*, No. 1 and No. 2, approved and recommended by several bishops. Then he wrote an *Explanation of the Little Catechism* for the use of teachers and parents. His latest publication has the title "*Lord, Behold He Whom Thou Lovest is Sick—a prayer and meditation book for the sick and a vademecum for priests when attending the sick.*" By Joseph Curatus."

REV. JOHN McCABE, pastor of St. Mary's parish, Daviess county, Ind., his post-office address being Loogootee, was born in Covington, Ky., December 8, 1854, and is the eldest of the three sons and four daughters born to Michael and Mary (Bryne) McCabe, natives, respectively, of county Queens and county Kildare, Ireland. The father is now deceased, and her mother has attained her sixty-fifth year. Of their seven children two have been ordained priests—John and Denis—the latter the present pastor of Holy Cross church at Indianapolis.

Rev. John McCabe was confirmed, at the age of twelve years, by Bishop de St. Palais, of Vincennes. His primary education was acquired in the common schools, and this was supplemented by an attendance at Aurora, Ind., under the Sisters of Providence. In 1869 he entered the college at Bardstown, Ky., which he left in 1874, and for one year attended St. Joseph's college, at Indianapolis, where he finished the philosophical course. In 1876 he became a student at St. Meinrad's seminary, in Spencer county.



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Ind., where he remained until 1878, when his theological studies were completed. February 2, 1878, he was ordained priest at Indianapolis by Archbishop Purcell, of Cincinnati and was assigned to St. John's parish, in Warrick county, Ind., where his duties were effectively performed for one year, when he was transferred to St. Ann's parish, at Terre Haute, where he labored ardently and faithfully for five years; 1885 he was appointed to the pastorate of St. Ann's, at Newcastle, Henry county, and after five years of very acceptable work was appointed, February 1, 1890, to his present pastorate of St. Mary's, to succeed Rev. T. O'Donaghue, who was transferred to the charge of St. John's church at Loogootee.

Father McCabe is dearly beloved by his parishioners for his piety and his unabated devotion to the welfare of his flock. The congregation comprises 125 families, or about 650 souls, and the position of pastor is therefore no sinecure, but Father McCabe is fully equal to the task of meeting its demands.

**J**AMES JEROME McCARTNEY, an enterprising grocer of South Bend, Ind., is a native of Milton, Chittenden county, Vt., was born April 6, 1838, and is a son of Michael and Margaret (Johnson) McCartney.

Michael McCartney was born in county Louth, Ireland, in 1789, was educated in the parochial school, was reared a farmer, and in 1823 married Miss Johnson, who was born in county Louth in 1790. Soon after marriage, Mr. and Mrs. McCartney came to America and settled in Vermont. The father died in Georgia, Franklin county, of that state, July 9, 1854, and the mother died, at the same place, in December, 1859, both in the faith of the Catholic church, their remains now resting, side by side, in St. Alban's cemetery. Of their six children, Peter enlisted to serve in the war against Mexico, and at its close joined a force under Col. Crittenden, to aid Gen. Lopez in freeing Cuba (1850-51), was taken prisoner by the Spaniards, was released through the intervention of the American consul, but died shortly after and buried

at Mobile, Ala. James Jerome is the subject of this sketch; and of the other four, who were daughters, two died in Vermont, one lives in Oregon, and one lives with James J., the subject.

James Jerome McCartney attended the public school at Milton, Vt., until sixteen years old, and was then apprenticed to carriage-making, which trade he followed at Fairfax, Vt., until 1861, when he enlisted in April, in company H, Second Vermont volunteer infantry, under Capt. William T. Burnham, and served until the war closed, the greater part of the time, however, in the quartermaster's department, as he had sustained serious injuries at the battle of Bull Run. After the war was over he returned to Vermont, but he did not remain long, as he came to South Bend, Ind., in 1866, and was here employed for fifteen years in the shops of the Birdsell Manufacturing company. In 1884 he embarked in the grocery trade, and in this has met with abundant success, continuing it until the present time.

Mr. McCartney was united in marriage, November 4, 1869, in St. Patrick's church, South Bend, by Rev. Father Cooney, with Miss Anna Mulligan, and this union has been blessed with four children. Mr. and Mrs. McCartney are devout members of St. Joseph's Catholic church, in which faith their children have been carefully reared, and all are highly esteemed in church and social circles. Mr. McCartney is suave and attentive to the needs of his patrons, and well deserves the success with which he has met and the respect in which he is universally held.

**J**OHAN JOSEPH MCCARTHY, a well-known and substantial business man of South Bend, Ind., was born in county Kerry, Ireland, June 24, 1843, and is a son of John and Jane (Lothar) McCarthy, natives of the same county, and born, respectively, in 1796 and 1813.

John McCarthy, the father, was educated in the parochial school of Abbeydorney, and completed his schooling at the age of fourteen years. He was a freeholder, was a farmer all his life, and was married in his native parish, in 1835, by Rev. Father

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Thomas Fitzgerald. His marriage was blessed with six children, viz: Jeremiah, now a resident of Harrisburg, Canada; Johanna, still living in county Kerry, Ireland; Margaret, wife of Daniel O'Haley, of the same county; Mary, wife of Dennis O'Connors; Thomas, of South Bend, Ind., and John Joseph, whose name opens this sketch. The mother of these children was called to rest in 1848, and the father in 1871, both dying in the faith of the Catholic church, and their remains now lie side by side in the Catholic cemetery of their native parish in county Kerry.

John Joseph McCarthy was educated in the parochial school of his native parish, which he attended until he reached the age of sixteen years. At his majority he came to the United States, via Quebec, Canada, where he landed in June, 1864, and thence, via Detroit, Mich., he came to St. Joseph county, Ind., and for two years was employed at Notre Dame. In 1866 he made a trip to Canada, remained there two years, and finally settled in South Bend, in 1868, and engaged in the grocery trade, in which he was very prosperous and which occupied his time and attention for eight years; he then engaged in the wood and coal trade, and in this he also met with splendid success and acquired considerable property, and finally relinquished trade altogether, in order that he might devote his attention solely to his real estate interests.

Mr. McCarthy was first married April 17, 1868, to Miss Julia Murphy, the ceremony taking place in St. Patrick's church, South Bend, with Rev. Father John Louth as the officiating clergyman. Of this union there was no issue, and Mrs. McCarthy passed away April 27, 1889, her remains being laid to rest in Cedar Grove cemetery. Mr. McCarthy, shortly after this sad event, made a trip to his native land, visited his relatives, and after a surcease of sorrow returned to South Bend. June 13, 1892, at St. Patrick's church, he was again united in matrimony, the bride being Miss Mary E. Donovan, and the officiating clergyman the Rev. Father Spellard, and this happy union has been blessed with three children Mary Ellen, Monacha Jane and John J.

Mr. McCarthy and family are devoted members of St. Patrick's church, and it is needless to say that Mr. McCarthy is very liberal in his financial contributions towards its support. Through his

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business sagacity and prudential management, he is now the owner of twelve dwellings and one fine store, and is regarded as one of the most useful citizens of South Bend and respected by every one for his sterling integrity and many good qualities of mind and heart.

**VERY REV. VICTOR A. SCHNELL**, pastor of St. Patrick's church, Terre Haute, was born in Lorraine, France, in the year 1842, and came to America in 1851 when nine years of age. He served as private in the Fifty-ninth regiment, Indiana infantry, during the great Rebellion, and at the close of the war continued his studies for the priesthood in the seminaries at Vincennes, Ind., Bardstown, Ky., and St. Meinrad's Benedictine abbey, where, on the 22d of September, 1868, he was ordained priest by the Rt. Rev. Bishop de St. Palais.

Father Schnell's first labor was at Edinburg, Ind., and adjoining missions in Johnson and Bartholomew counties, where he remained from the fall of 1868 to that of 1870, when he was transferred to Dover, Dearborn county. He continued at the latter place until the spring following, when he took charge of the Edinburg, Seymour and neighboring missions, discharging the manifold duties of the position for a limited period, after which he was transferred to the district on the J., M. & I. R. R. between Indianapolis and Jeffersonville, his field of labor covering a tract of territory eighty miles in extent. Here Father Schnell remained from 1871 until 1873, when he was sent to Columbus, Ind., and tributary missions, and there continued until transferred, in 1885, to Terre Haute, as pastor of St. Patrick's parish, his present agreeable field of labor.

Father Schnell is a priest of rare ability, having intuitively a clear comprehension of the complexities of theology and being blessed in a marked degree with the gifts of eloquence, piety, and fervor. He has devoted all of his splendid gifts to the spiritual and educational interests of his people, and his labors in the different fields to which he has been called bear evidence of his great usefulness as a teacher and spiritual guide. During his sev-





Very truly  
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eral pastorates he has built quite a number of churches, erected the school-buildings at Columbus and brought the Sisters of Providence there as teachers of the same, and since taking charge of St. Patrick's has succeeded in discharging a large debt, beside furnishing the church completely, and erecting a pastor's residence, a fine brick building, furnished with all modern conveniences. He is an able and practical preacher, a wise counselor, a zealous worker, and his selection as a member of the bishop's council was a fitting recognition of his worth. Since 1874, Father Schnell has been largely engaged in temperance work, having accomplished much good in the noble cause wherever he has been stationed.

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JOHN R. McCARTHY, the well-known and popular latter of No. 88 Main street, LaFayette, Ind., was born in county Cork, Ireland, January 24, 1835, a son of John and Catherine Fehely) McCarthy, who were the parents of nine children, of whom five reached the years of maturity, viz: Bartholomew, now a retired contractor of Philadelphia, Pa.; Jeremiah, a contractor, of New York city; John R., the subject of this memoir; Mary, wife of George Muldoon, of Omaha, Nebr., and Catherine, married to James O'Harah, who occupies the old homestead in Ireland.

When but twelve years of age, John R. McCarthy came to the United States and for some time was employed in a wholesale tea store. He next secured a position in the commissary department of the United States government under the administration of President Franklin Pierce, and was thus employed for two years. In 1858 he returned to Philadelphia and married Miss Margaret Calnan, who was also born in county Cork, Ireland, and who, leaving her parents and native land, came to America in company with a dearly beloved aunt. Soon after his marriage, Mr. McCarthy removed to St. Louis, Mo., where he remained one year only, and then went to Nashville, Tenn., where he was employed as a traveling salesman for a hat dealing firm. While thus engaged, the Civil war burst forth, and the business establishment was destroyed by fire. Mr. McCarthy was then offered a position under the so-called

Confederate government, but declined to accept the offer, as his sympathies were altogether with the Union, and consequently he took his departure for a free state, and for a year conducted a hat store in Cincinnati, Ohio. Leaving his family in that city, he again tried his fortunes in the south, and went to Memphis, Tenn., just after that city had been captured by the Union troops, and there passed a year. He then went to New Orleans, La., but shortly afterward rejoined his family in Cincinnati, Ohio; thence went to Chicago, Ill., returned once more to Cincinnati, bought a stock of goods and went to Nashville, Tenn., and was there during the siege of that city. Later, he removed his stock to Mattoon, Ill., and eventually came to LaFayette, Ind., in 1864, where he has since been engaged in his present business.

The union of Mr. and Mrs. McCarthy has been blessed with nine children, viz: Mary, who was married to Thomas Clark and died in 1895, the mother of two children, Beatrice and William; Robert E., deceased; John, who was a graduate of Notre Dame, and died in Leadville, Colo., November 21, 1896, where he had been engaged in mining; Catherine, wife of Daniel Sullivan, of New York city; Charles, of Chicago, Ill.; Clara, married to John Sheehan, of LaFayette, Ind.; William, of Chicago; Nellie and Ignatius. Mr. and Mrs. McCarthy, with their children now living in LaFayette, are members of St. Mary's church, and have a delightful home at No. 280 South street, where they enjoy the society of a select circle of warm-hearted friends.

**WILLIAM C. McCARTHY**, machinist and electrical engineer of Indianapolis, is a native of this city and was born October 3, 1867. He was educated at the Brothers' school, on Georgia street, and later served an apprenticeship of four years at the machinist's trade and at engineering. His first situation was at the public library building, of which he was the first engineer and chief, and held the position two years. In 1894 he was appointed chief engineer of the Indiana Trust company, at the corner of Washington and Virginia avenues, which is a very responsible, and, consequently, lucrative position.

William C. is the eldest child and only son of William and Bridget (Diggins) McCarthy, who were natives of county Kerry, Ireland, but were married in Indianapolis. The father was an expressman for many years, and did a profitable business, being respected and relied upon by a large number of the more important of the business men of the city, whose goods he daily handled, carrying them with his teams from point to point throughout the city, but eventually lost his life in the prosecution of his duties in this capacity, being killed by a runaway team in 1881. His widow was spared until July, 1896, when she died a devout Christian. Of the other children born to William and Bridget McCarthy, Mary is a teacher in a public school of the city; Ella is employed in the book bindery of Carlon & Hollenbeck, and Maggie and Hanoro, who are still too young for business. The sisters reside at their comfortable residence, on Camp street.

William C. McCarthy was united in matrimony, October 26, 1892, at St. Bridget's church, by Rev. Father Curran, with Miss Elizabeth Gertrude Flatley, a native of Richmond, Ind., and a daughter of John Flatley, a well-to-do farmer. Two children have come to bless this union—Willie, born December 17, 1893, and Gertrude, born November 11, 1896. Mr. McCarthy is entirely devoted to his business and is not connected with any brotherhood, although he is a devoted member of St. Bridget's church, to which congregation his wife also belongs. In politics Mr. McCarty is a democrat, and as a citizen is industrious, temperate and upright and greatly respected.

JOHN J. McCARTY, master mechanic in the Indiana Cotton Mill, at Cannelton, Perry county, Ind., since 1851, was born in Morgan county, Ohio, January 18, 1833, a son of Jeremiah and Nancy McCarty, natives of Tipperary county, Ireland. After having received a fair parochial and common-school education and learning his trade of carpenter, he settled in Cannelton, and, as stated, in 1851, assumed the duties of his present position.

Mr. McCarty was joined in matrimony, September 28, 1856, with Miss Hannah Reardon, who was born in Manchester, England,

March 8, 1837, a daughter of Dennis and Mary Ann Reardon, but no children have blessed this union. Mr. and Mrs. McCarty are devout members of St. Michael's church, and Mr. McCarty is a member of the Catholic Knights of America, Father Book branch, No. 591. He and wife are attentive to their religious duties and very liberal in their contributions to the support of the church, and are held in great respect by all their acquaintances and friends, of whom they have made many during their long residence in Cannelton. In politics Mr. McCarty is a sound democrat, but pays closer attention to his business duties than to party struggles.

JOHN W. McCARTY, ex-postmaster of Washington, Daviess county, Ind., is a native of county Clare, Ireland, was born March 17, 1801, and is a son of Michael and Bridget (O'Connor) McCarty, the latter of whom died in Ireland a few months after the birth of the subject, having borne her husband nine children, viz: Margaret, deceased; Peter, now of Vincennes, Ind.; Mary, of Denver, Colo.; Delia, Ellen and Michael, of the same city; Martin and James, deceased, and John W., the subject of this memoir. Michael McCarty, the father of this family, brought the surviving members to the United States in the fall of 1862, and for two years was employed at general labor in Hoboken, N. J., then in 1864 came to Washington, Ind., worked as a section hand on the railroad until 1867, and then went to Leavenworth, Kans., where his death took place in 1872, in the faith of the Catholic church, in which he and all his family had been reared.

John W. McCarty was an attendant at the common and parochial schools of Leavenworth, Kans., until about eleven years of age, when he returned to Washington, Ind., and attended St. Simon's school until fifteen, and also attended public school in Petersburg, Pike county, Ind., a few years. He began his business life in Petersburg by handling gents' furnishing goods, but in 1883 sold out his stock, and until 1885 engaged in the livery business, when he again sold out and for a few months conducted a drug store. In the spring of 1886 he was nominated by the dem-

ocratic party for county clerk of Pike county, but, with the rest of his ticket, was defeated. Early in 1887 he went to Vincennes and kept books for a brother until May, when he returned to Washington, and, in company with a cousin, Pat McCarty, engaged in the livery business. A few years later he erected the brick barn at the corner of Vantrees and East Third streets, where the livery business was conducted in a very satisfactory manner, both to himself and patrons, until the close of 1893, when he was commissioned postmaster of Washington, under Grover Cleveland, February 5, 1894, and entered on the duties of the office March 1, of the same year, and served until March 1, 1898.

The marriage of Mr. McCarty was celebrated in Washington, June 25, 1891, when he was joined in matrimony with Miss Jennie Denver, who was born in Cincinnati in 1865, a daughter of James and Esther Denver, and this union has been blessed with two children—C. Walter and Mary Margaret. Mr. and Mrs. McCarty are members of St. Simon's church, of which Mr. McCarty has been collector for several years. He has been successful as a business man, and, besides his livery barn, owns his residence and other valuable real estate in the city. He is a director in the Industrial Building & Loan association and is very popular with all classes of citizens. As postmaster he gave satisfaction to the public. As a democrat he has been very active, and was selected by his party to represent Indiana as assistant marshal at the inaugural of President Cleveland, at Washington, D. C., in March, 1893.

**M**ARIA McCLOSKEY is the widow of Bernard McCloskey, formerly an estimable citizen of Indianapolis. Mr. McCloskey, was born in county Londonderry, Ireland, in 1835, and when he was about fifteen years of age his father emigrated to the United States with his family, and resided in Columbia county, N. Y., for some time. Later he moved his family to Massachusetts, whence he removed to New York city, and there engaged in business as a shoe merchant, in which business he remained for about twenty years, living, however, a portion of the time in Hoboken, N. J.

Mr. McCloskey was married in Massachusetts to Miss Maria Hanley, a native of Rhode Island, and a daughter of Patrick and Mary Hanley, who had gone west to Illinois when she was an infant, but who returned east to Massachusetts, where they passed the remainder of their lives. In 1879 Mr. and Mrs. McCloskey came to Indianapolis, in which city he established himself in business, but subsequently went to New York city, where the family lived for a period of six years, and then again came to Indianapolis, where Mr. McCloskey died October 23, 1896. For some time before his death he suffered greatly from his disease, which was consumption. During his entire life he was governed by those principles which all should practice, and was a most earnest, consistent Catholic citizen. While a resident of Hoboken he was a trustee of the church of Our Lady of Grace of that city, and was everywhere treated with respect and confidence both as a citizen and as a member of the Catholic church.

Mrs. McCloskey resides at No. 334 North West street, Indianapolis, where she has a very pleasant home. Her family at present consists of two sons and four daughters, as follows: Angela, Helen, James J., Bernard F., Sarah and Elizabeth. Her eldest child, Mary, is deceased. The survivors have all been reared and properly instructed in the principles of the Catholic religion, and are industrious, intelligent and highly esteemed by all that know them.

ROBERT McDERMOTT.—Among the well-known Catholic citizens of St. Joseph's parish, Indianapolis, is Robert McDermott, who resides with his family at No. 905 East Eleventh street. He was born in county Londonderry, Ireland, in July, 1852, and is a son of Robert and Margaret McDermott, who still reside in the Emerald isle. Robert and Margaret McDermott are the parents of eleven children, nine of whom are still living, and all of them still in Ireland, except the subject of this sketch. Robert McDermott, Sr., is a builder by occupation, and his son, the subject, served under him a seven-years' apprenticeship.

Robert McDermott, Jr., had but limited advantages for edu-

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cation in his youth, but his desire for knowledge being strong, he has gratified that desire to the best of his ability since arriving at mature years. In 1874 he married Miss Catherine Martin, whose parents were natives of county Londonderry, but whose ancestry were from county Donegal. In 1877 Mr. McDermott, with his wife and only child, emigrated to the United States, coming directly to Indianapolis, where for several years he resided. In 1880 he became engaged with the Fargo Improvement company, as their superintendent, and removed with his family to Dakota, and in the three years, during which he resided there, he superintended the erection of about 200 buildings in the city of Fargo. Owing to failing health he resigned his position with this company, his wife in the meantime having, at the earnest solicitation of her parents, who were far advanced in age, returned to Ireland to care for them, and Mr. McDermott, with the hope of benefiting his own health, also returned to his native land. Remaining in Ireland for eight years, the main object of his return thither was accomplished, and during his visit he was engaged in the manufacture of brick, and was also postmaster of his native village, Coleraine. This position he occupied for four years, and up to the time of his return to the United States. His return to America was caused by an offer from the Indianapolis Gas company of the position of factory inspector. Mr. McDermott is an authority on combustion, and upon appliances for the economical consumption of gas, and he still occupies the position which he returned to the United States to fill. And in this position other important duties devolve upon him beside those properly belonging thereto.

Mr. and Mrs. McDermott have six children, four daughters and two sons, viz: Peter M., Jennie, Madeline, William, Mary and Elizabeth. Of these, Peter M., William, Mary and Elizabeth were born in Ireland, the others in the United States. Mr. McDermott is recognized by all who know as a most intelligent and worthy man and citizen, and he and his family are highly esteemed members of St. Joseph's church, of which the Rev. Father Alerding is the worthy pastor.

Mrs. Isabella McEllhennen, a sister of Mrs. McDermott, lives with the family of Mr. and Mrs. McDermott. She was born in county

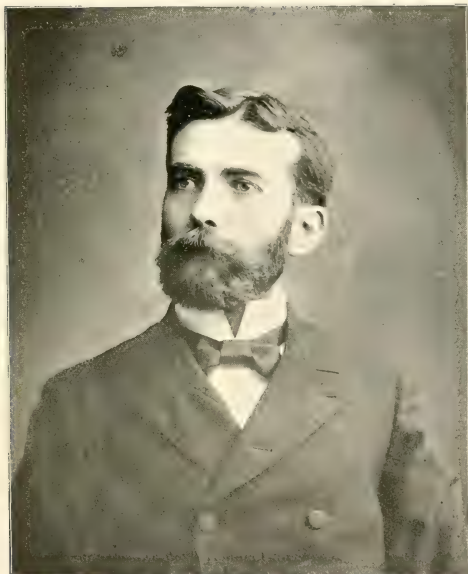
Londonderry, received an excellent education, and for some time was head teacher in the model school at Newton Stewart, county Tyrone, Ireland. Her husband, John McEllhennen, died about one year after their marriage, and afterward she came to the United States, locating in Indianapolis, where her brother, P. J. Martin, was then residing. She has been the efficient assistant librarian in the public library since her arrival in this country, and is by every one esteemed as a most worthy woman.

JOSEPH FRANCIS SOMES, M. D., eminent as a physician and surgeon of Vincennes, Ind., and a representative of one of the oldest families in the state, was born in this city December 18, 1864, a son of Henry Vanderburg Somes and Mary Elizabeth (Bayard) Somes, both also natives of Vincennes and born, respectively, September 7, 1832, and March 25, 1843, and married in St. Francis Xavier cathedral, February 9, 1864.

Henry Vanderburg Somes, father of subject, and ex-mayor of Vincennes, is now living in retirement on South Fourth street, with his wife and such of his children as have not yet entered the business world. Of the five children born to Mr. and Mrs. Somes, Dr. Joseph F. is the eldest; Harry V. is receiving teller in the First National bank of Vincennes; Bayard V. is traveling for a wholesale hardware firm of St. Louis, Mo.; Mary E. is under the parental roof, and John S. is at present a student at the Vincennes university.

Dr. Joseph Somes, paternal grandfather of subject, was a native of England and for forty years a practicing physician of Vincennes. His wife was a daughter of Judge Henry Vanderburg, who was born in Troy, N. Y., in 1760. He was captain of a company in the Fifth New York regiment during the Revolutionary war, his commission having been signed by John Jay, afterward chief-justice of the United States. The doctor, our subject, has also in his possession the certificate of Judge Vanderburg as a member of the renowned Cincinnati society, and bearing the autograph of George Washington. Judge Vanderburg came to Vin-





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cennes in 1788, was married in 1790, and was appointed judge of the Indiana territory, in 1800, by President John Adams. Vanderburg county, Ind., was named in honor of this distinguished pioneer and jurist.

Dr. Joseph Francis Somes received his preparatory education in the parochial and high schools of Vincennes and began his business life by engaging for six years in the drug trade, during which period he devoted much of his time to the preliminary study of medicine. His professional training was had at Rush Medical college, Chicago, Ill., from which he graduated in 1889, and at once began practice at Lindsburg, Kans., where he remained six years, meeting with unusual success. January 2, 1895, he returned to his native city, where, notwithstanding the fact that the field was occupied by other accomplished physicians, he has established an extensive and lucrative practice. The doctor is a member of the Knox county Medical society and the Indiana state Medical society, and stands as high in the esteem of his brother-professionals as he does in that of the general public.

The marriage of Dr. Somes took place January 5, 1892, to Miss Ray L. Lamar, a native of Carbondale, Ill., but whose parents removed to Kansas in 1872, where she was educated in the academy of the Sacred Heart at St. Mary's. This happy marriage has been blessed with one child, Charles Francis, born July 11, 1893. In politics the doctor is not aggressive in the expression of his opinions, yet warmly sympathizes with the democratic party.

**T**HOMAS R. McDONNELL, bookkeeper and salesman for the Fulton Boiler works of Richmond, Wayne county, Ind., was born in Green's Fork, in the same county, June 10, 1867, a son of Patrick and Bridget (Scott) McDonnell.

Patrick McDonnell, father of Thomas R., was born in county Roscommon, Ireland, March 27, 1828, was educated in a parochial school and shortly after attaining his majority came to America, landing in the city of New York. For two years he worked as a farm laborer at Flushing, Long Island, N. Y., and in 1854 came

to Indiana, and engaged in farming in Green's Fork, Wayne county. November 23, 1855, he married, at Hamilton, Ohio, Miss Bridget Scott, of Green's Fork, Ind., and to this union there were born ten children, viz: Catherine, married to Walter G. Kutz, of Anderson, Ind.; Mary, wife of John Welsh, also of Anderson; Ella, Bessie, Flora and George, at home; John of the firm of Welsh & McDonnell, grocers, of Anderson; Edward, clerk in the Panhandle railroad office at Cincinnati, Ohio; Sarah, deceased, and Thomas R., of Richmond, Ind. The mother of this family, Mrs. Bridget McDonnell, died January 11, 1895, and was buried in St. Mary's cemetery, at Richmond, the funeral services having been solemnized in the church edifice. She had been a member of the congregation for forty years, and all her children still residing in Wayne county belong to the same congregation.

Thomas R. McDonnell was graduated from the public schools of Green's Fork, Ind., in 1886, and two years later from St. Mary's Catholic institute at Dayton, Ohio. Since 1891 he has filled his present position as bookkeeper and salesman for the Fulton Boiler works in Richmond, and has through his attention to business and undoubted capability, won the confidence and esteem of his employers, and is at the present time a director and secretary of that institution. He has been a trustee of St. Mary's church for a number of years, and, since 1896, has been secretary of the board, being very popular in church circles. In politics he is a democrat, and when occasion offers renders efficient service toward the success of his party in local canvasses. He is as yet unmarried, although he holds a high position socially.

REV. PATRICK McDERMOTT (deceased) was appointed to take charge of St. Patrick's church, Indianapolis, in June, 1879, but the death of this worthy priest occurred September 13, 1882. He was born on the 17th day of March, 1820, at Elfin, county of Roscommon, Ireland. His father was a well-to-do farmer. He graduated in 1843 at the college of Maynooth. His brother, the Rev. John McDermott, laboring in the missions of

Indiana, induced him to emigrate. He was ordained priest on the 21st of December, 1823, by Bishop de la Mottefoque. He was for one year at the cathedral, the intimate friend and companion of his bishop; in 1827 he was assigned to LaFayette and Huntington, and in 1830 was given L. transport and Pope where he remained until December. He had already attracted attention in the wilds of the north and was called to Evansville to assist Rev. Anthony Deydier. He shared his toils, his labors, his pleasures, his rewards, until 1850, since which he had sole charge until June, 1870—an uninterrupted period of nearly thirty years—when he was assigned to St. Patrick's, Indianapolis. In the two and one-quarter years he was there he endured himself in all. He came when all was strife and contention, the house was divided against itself, and there was danger of ruin; his kind patient, never-ceasing love and labor have gone far toward healing the wound and uniting the once scattered flock; the immense debt was in a fair way to be removed, the schools had grown but had not yet reached his high ideal, and to them he gave his last great effort.

He had been ill for three months, but found it difficult to leave his charge to seek recreation during the hot months, and as it grew colder he thought he was recovering, and the day before death he said to a friend, "I am better than I have been for some time, and will let the assistant send me home to-day." Late in the afternoon of Wednesday, September 13, 1882, while seated in his library, he died with scarcely a struggle.

The solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. D. O'Donaghue as celebrant, Rev. H. Alardine as deacon, Rev. E. F. McBarron as sub-deacon. The Rt. Rev. Bishop Chatard preached the funeral sermon, in which he recounted many of the virtues of the deceased, prominent among which was that of implicit obedience, as manifested in his going to Indianapolis.

His remains were taken to Evansville for burial. On Saturday another solemn mass of requiem was celebrated in the church of the Assumption by the Rt. Rev. Abbot Futen, O. S. B., assisted by Rev. H. Peythien, Rev. F. Vothaus, Rev. J. Merckl and Rev. F. Luebbermann. His body now rests near that of Father Kutassy, in St. Joseph's cemetery.

**C**HARLES MCGINTY, a barber doing business at No. 727 South Capitol avenue, Indianapolis, was born in North Vernon, Ind., November 28, 1875. He is a son of Patrick and Elizabeth (Watson) McGinty, both natives of Indiana, the former of Irish and the latter of German parentage. Patrick McGinty was a carpenter by trade, but for some years was an invalid, unable to work. His death took place December 4, 1897. Mrs. McGinty died September 8, 1891. Patrick and Elizabeth McGinty were the parents of the following children: Thomas A., who died at the age of twenty-four, was unmarried and a barber by trade; Charles, the subject of this sketch; Mary, who keeps house for the family; Joseph, who assists his brother, Charles, in the barber business; Anna, at home, and William, who died at the age of three years.

Charles McGinty obtained his education in the Catholic schools at North Vernon, Ind., and removed with the rest of the family to Indianapolis in 1889. Here he learned the barber's trade, and is now operating a shop of three chairs at the location given above. He enjoys a good trade, is industrious and honest, and is in every way an exemplary young man, respected by all. He is a member of the Young Men's institute and in politics is a democrat, without aspiration for official position. The family are members of St. John's Catholic church, of Indianapolis, and are liberal contributors to its support, as well as active and devoted to its spiritual welfare. Few young men have a brighter prospect before them, either in a business or in a social way, for industry, honesty and temperance will surely bring their proper reward.

**T**ERENCE A. MCGOVERN, the well-known real-estate agent, dealer and constructor of homes, Logansport, Ind., is a native of this city and was born October 2, 1844. His parents, Arthur and Ellen Josephine (McCauley) McGovern, were natives of county Fermanagh, Ireland, where their marriage took place, and whence they came, after the birth of their first child, to the United States, locating, about the year 1833, in Utica, N. Y.,

where they resided until 1837, when they came to Logansport, being among the earliest Catholic families to settle here.

Arthur McGovern was an intelligent and well educated gentleman, and an ardent Catholic. His residence was the hospitable resort of the best people of Logansport, and was frequently utilized by the Catholic missionaries and priests, of the early days, for the celebration of mass, there being no Catholic church-edifice at that time in this city. On the construction of the Wabash & Erie canal through the town, he was placed in charge of the state boat and had the general superintendence of repairs. He held, beside, several other positions of trust, and, although not a poor man, was by no means a rich one, never having been avaricious nor possessed of an overweening desire for wealth. After residing in Logansport for many years, Mr. McGovern purchased a farm in Harrison township, Cass county, where he made a pleasant home, served as township trustee, and was otherwise a trusted and honored member of the community, being called upon on more than one occasion to administer estates in the county. His death occurred in 1872, in his sixty-sixth year, and at his funeral Father Lawler, who officiated on the occasion, spoke in eulogistic terms of his useful and upright career through life. His venerated life partner survived until June, 1892, when she, too, was called away in the Catholic faith. They were very faithful to their church duty, and after their removal to their farm came almost every Sunday to Logansport, to attend St. Vincent de Paul church, a distance of seven miles, and this they continued to do until St. Elizabeth's church was erected near their home, to the construction of which they most liberally contributed. Their five children, who grew to maturity, were named John C., who resides in St. Joseph, Mich.; Thomas C, of Kokomo, Ind.; Francis M., who died in Kokomo; Terence A., whose name opens this biography, and Ellen J., also a resident of Kokomo.

Terence A. McGovern, our subject, was five years of age when the family moved to Harrison township. His elementary education was obtained in the district school, and he was still a youth when he began teaching. With the money saved from the pursuit of this vocation he returned to Logansport and supplemented his

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early education by an attendance at an academy, and then resumed teaching; then attended advanced schools until his eyesight became affected—paying his way with means at times earned by clerking half of each day, the other half being passed in school. On leaving school finally, he became a bookkeeper for various parties, his last service in this capacity being for the city water works—a position he filled for twelve years, since which time he has been engaged in his present business.

Mr. McGovern was most happily married May 27, 1874, to Miss Elizabeth Leach, a native of Ogdensburg, N. Y., and a daughter of John F. and Mary A. Leach, but at the date of marriage residing in Logansport, Ind. Mrs. McGovern was reared a Presbyterian, but a few years after marriage became converted to Catholicism and is now an ardent and faithful member of this church. Mr. and Mrs. McGovern have been blessed with one daughter—Mary Esther—who is advancing rapidly in her school studies and one of the brightest young ornaments of Logansport society.

In politics Mr. McGovern is a sound democrat, always does his duty at the polls, and is now the candidate for commissioner of the second district on the county ticket. He is a self-made man in a business sense, and although injured when a child in his left leg—the effects of which have lasted through life—has ever been industrious and indefatigable in his business pursuits. He has erected a number of dwellings in Logansport, which he has disposed of on the installment plan, and will erect others for the same purpose, and owns his own pleasant home at No. 309 Seventh street, which is the abode of domestic felicity and of a generous hospitality.

**J**OHN MCGINTY, member of the Indianapolis fire department, was born at North Vernon, Ind., January 24, 1862. He is a son of Patrick and Bridget (McGlaughlin) McGinty, both natives of county Mayo, Ireland, but married in Cincinnati about 1850. Immediately after their marriage they established a home at Madison, Ind., where they lived four years, and then removed to North



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Vernon, where they settled on a farm on which they lived until 1885. They then came to Indianapolis, where both died, the former March 17, 1893, and the latter January 1, 1897. They were the parents of eight children, viz: Patrick, the eldest, died in 1897, aged forty-five years; his family reside at No. 157 West McCarty street, Indianapolis; Michael and Thomas are residents of Cleveland, Ohio, the former being assistant market-master and the latter a sergeant on the police force; Mary, now Mrs. Patrick Connors, lives on Williams street, Indianapolis; James is a resident of Indianapolis; and Anthony and Kate are deceased, Anthony being the fifth child of the family and Kate the youngest of the eight; James resides on South East street, is employed at Hitz bakery, and is married, as are all the children that are living.

The early life of the subject of this sketch was spent upon a farm, but when his parents removed to Indianapolis, in 1885, he also removed with them. He worked a year in a rolling-mill, and was then conductor and motorman for the Indianapolis Street Railway company for eight years and five months. In June, 1896, he was appointed to a position in the Indianapolis fire department, and up to the present time has served in three different capacities, being now with the West Indianapolis hose company, No. 19. Mr. McGinty was married at North Vernon, Ind., October 22, 1884, in St. Mary's church, by Rev. Father Messey, now deceased, to Miss Annie Reardon, a native of North Vernon, and a daughter of Bartholomew and Mary Reardon, natives of Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. McGinty have seven children, as follows: Patrick, Bridget, Michael, John, Mary, Thomas and Annie. They are attending the parish school of Assumption church, of which the family are members, and which is under the pastorate of Rev. Father Joseph F. Weber. Politically Mr. McGinty is a democrat, believing in the doctrine of the free coinage of silver. He lives at No. 57 Harding street, Indianapolis, and is a good, straightforward and respected citizen.

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**M**ICHAEL MCGRAW, of Aurora, Dearborn county, Ind., a molder, is a son of John and Mary (Maloney) McGraw, of Ireland. Both parents came to the United States March 10,

1842, and landed at New Orleans, La., remained in that city for a few days, and then came direct to Aurora. The father was a weaver, and worked at his trade until he came to the United States. Michael McGraw was born in Ireland in 1841, and was brought by his parents to America when he was a year old. Our subject attended the common schools, and at the age of sixteen learned the molder's trade in Aurora, and has worked at it ever since. He was married on April 29, 1867, to Miss Bridget Bannon, a daughter of Michael Bannon, of Aurora; they have seven children, all of St. Mary's church. Both he and his wife are also true Catholics. He was a member of St. Patrick's when it was in existence, and in politics is a democrat. The children are Mary, Sarah, John and Matthew (died at ten years of age), Paul (died at the age of two years), Harry and James. Mr. and Mrs. McGraw are greatly respected in their parish, being equally esteemed by Protestants and Catholics.

REV. GEORGE M. SCHRAMM, pastor of St. Peter's church, at Laporte, Ind., was born in Ft. Wayne, June 16, 1867, a son of Martin and Theresa (Noll) Schramm. He attended St. Mary's parochial school until thirteen years of age, and then the cathedral school for a year and a half, following which he was employed about a year as a clerk. At the age of sixteen years he entered St. Lawrence college, at Mount Calvary, Fond du Lac county, Wis., where he remained five years in the classical course of study, and then went to Mount St. Mary's seminary, in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he pursued his theological studies five years longer. May 11, 1893, he was ordained priest by Archbishop Elder for the diocese of Fort Wayne, and was at once stationed at Reynolds, White county, Ind., as pastor of St. Joseph's church, with missions at Francesville and Medaryville, Pulaski county. There he labored zealously two years, when he was taken ill, and was confined in St. Elizabeth's hospital at LaFayette for nine months. When convalescent, he was sent to Michigan City to recuperate. There he remained until October 9, 1897, when he



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entered upon his duties as pastor of St. Peter's, Laporte, where he has since labored earnestly for the welfare of his flock.

St. Peter's church-building is 80x40 feet, has a seating capacity for 500 persons, and the congregation comprises about 100 families, many being Irish or of Irish extraction. The school, under the direction of the Holy Cross Sisters, of St. Rose academy, is attended by about forty pupils.

ROBERT MARTIN McGRATH, deceased, was born in Reading, Pa., July 29, 1826, a son of Michael McGrath, a native of Ireland. He was educated in a parochial school, and came to LaFayette, Ind., a poor boy, and began life's labor by working on the canal then in course of construction; but he was industrious and possessed of a laudable ambition to succeed in life, and accordingly apprenticed himself to Joseph Hubler, and through his instruction became a skillful and thorough machinist and iron founder. So faithfully did he serve his employer, he was, after finishing his apprenticeship, admitted to a partnership, and the firm continued in existence until 1862, when he sold his interest in the plant to Mr. Hubler and established the McGrath Iron foundry on South Third street, and soon built up for himself a large and lucrative trade.

He was actively engaged in the management of his extensive plant when, in June, 1889, he was attacked with typhoid malaria, and the disorder took so deep a hold upon his system that it became impossible to loosen its grip until death came to his relief by transporting him to a better land on the 4th day of July following, when he died a member of St. Mary's church, of which he had been for a number of years a trustee, as well as a generous contributor toward its support. He was also a prominent member of St. Joseph's sodality, and a charter member of the A. O. H. lodge of LaFayette, and was noted for his open-handed charity throughout the city. His mortal remains were interred in St. Mary's cemetery, July 6, 1889, the following named gentlemen acting as pall bearers: James Murdock, John B. Ruger, Francis Duffy, T. A. Stuart, William Taylor and John T. Mugg.

In politics, Mr. McGrath had been an ardent democrat, and had been honored by his party with election to several offices. He was councilman from the First ward for several years in succession and county commissioner two terms, and was strictly conscientious in voting for any expenditure of the county funds, and his political record stands without a blemish.

The marriage of Mr. McGrath took place in LaFayette October 15, 1854, to Miss Catherine O'Grady, who was born in county Limerick, Ireland, in 1831, a daughter of Michael and Mary (Sweeney) O'Grady. This marriage was blessed with seven children, viz: Mary C., wife of Charles F. Bane; Charles, deceased; Robert H., of LaFayette; Kittie, wife of E. H. Miller, of Cincinnati, Ohio; Nellie, married to T. F. McMahan, of Tipton; Frances, a teacher in the eighth grade, public school, LaFayette, and George J., stamp clerk in the LaFayette post-office. The family are all ardent Catholics and stand very high in the regard of the public in general.

JOHN MCGROARTY, now living at No. 641 South East street, Indianapolis, became a resident of this city in 1868, though his residence herein has not been continuous. He was born in the parish of Bainburg, county Donegal, Ireland, and arrived in the United States May 11, 1863. For many years Mr. McGroarty traveled through several of the states selling goods, among the states thus visited being New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana. As before stated, he located in Indianapolis in 1868, where for some time he was a member of the police force. In 1875 he went to the gold fields of Australia, returning in June, 1886, having succeeded fairly well in his search for the precious metal, and learning many things about that interesting but distant part of the world that he could not possibly have learned in any other way.

On January 7, 1897, he was married to Mrs. Anna Ryan, daughter of Peter and Mary Greenen, and widow of Martin V. C. Ryan, the latter of whom removed from Ohio to Indianapolis. For many years he was connected with the P., C., C. & St. L. R. R., and was one of the most efficient, faithful and popular conductors

on that road. On the 27th of October, 1890, he was instantly killed by his own train at Knightstown, Ind., his death being greatly deplored by all that knew him, especially by those familiar with him as a passenger conductor, and by his family and immediate friends. As a testimonial of their esteem a beautiful memorial, consisting of resolutions expressive of their appreciation of his many manly qualities, was prepared by the passenger trainmen of the road with which he had been connected, and presented, by Rev. Father O'Donaghue, to the bereaved widow and children, and a beautiful clock, presented to the widow by the men of the road, was another expression of their esteem and respect. Mr. Ryan was a devoted Catholic and an honored member of the Catholic Knights of America. He left his wife with three daughters, viz: Lavenia, Alvirney and Martenia.

Mr. McGroarty and family have a most pleasant home at the location above mentioned, and are a happy couple. Mrs. McGroarty is a sister of Joseph W. and Michael H. Greenen, of Indianapolis, and a further account of her father's family may be found on another page in this volume.

**H**ON. JOHN F. McHUGH, of LaFayette, Ind., who has made a widespread reputation as a lawyer and lawmaker, was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, May 14, 1856, and is a son of Francis and Kate (O'Donnell) McHugh. The family settled in LaFayette in 1861, and here for twenty-four years the father was a prominent dry-goods merchant, from which trade he retired on a competency in 1884, having earned ease and rest through his long career of industry and usefulness.

John F. McHugh entered Notre Dame university in September, 1866, and was graduated in 1872, with the honor of being the youngest to graduate in the classical course of that famous institute of learning, up to that date. Within thirty days after graduating he entered the law office of Chase & Wilstead as a student, and with this firm he remained six years. He began the practice of law at the age of twenty years, but was not admitted to the bar

until he had reached his majority, his examination being had before David P. Vinton, circuit judge; later he was admitted to practice in the supreme court of Indiana, and still later to the circuit courts of the United States. Mr. McHugh has always been active as a member of the democratic party, and by it was elected, in LaFayette, 1889, to the office of city attorney. From 1890 to 1894, he served as state senator, and in every office he has held has displayed remarkable abilities as a statesman.

In August, 1886, Mr. McHugh was united in marriage with Miss Julia T. Ball, daughter of Peter Ball, at one time a leading wholesale merchant of LaFayette. Mr. and Mrs. McHugh are leading members of St. Mary's congregation, and are most generous in their contributions to its support and active in promoting its influence for good on every possible occasion.

Probably no lawyer of Tippecanoe county has risen to a more prominent place at the bar. In his earlier practice his abilities were so manifest that he was at once recognized by each brother attorney as a "foeman worthy of his steel." Terse, logical and incisive in his argument before court and jury, he invariably won the respect of the former and the good will of the latter. Learned in the law, opposition to his interpretation thereof was altogether futile. Eloquent, but never grandiloquent, he carried away his jury simply by his powers of ratiocination, and there was no attorney of his age could draw closer the attention of a jury or more closely hold it to the merits of his case, and success invariably crowned his efforts. His success in the higher courts, in more recent years, has been equally great, and his course as a legislator is matter of history, but it may here be admitted was one that gratified his party and constituents.

THOMAS JAMES McHUGH, a well-known locomotive engineer, residing at No. 1005 Harrison street, Indianapolis, was born on North Delaware street, this city, December 18, 1856, a son of Thomas and Mary (Fallen) McHugh, natives of county Roscommon, Ireland, who came to America when young, were married in



Cincinnati, Ohio, and settled in Indianapolis, Ind., about 1849. The father was a plasterer by trade, and finished many of the better class of buildings in this city, among them the Bates house, and for twenty years was an employee of the Central Indiana asylum. To his marriage with Miss Fallen were born six children, viz: John F., who is a steam fitter in this city; Patrick, who died in early childhood; Thomas J., who is the subject of this notice; Michael, who is yard-master for the St. Louis & Iron Mountain Railway company at Little Rock, Ark.; Mary, who died in infancy; and Martin, who also died an infant. The mother of this family was called away June 14, 1875, and the father, who passed the last year of his life at the home of Thomas J., the subject, died May 2, 1891—the deceased parents and children all expiring in the faith of the holy Catholic church.

Thomas J. McHugh was educated in St. John's parochial school and then served an apprenticeship at the plumber's trade. But this he soon abandoned, and in October, 1872, began his career as a railroad man in the capacity of brakeman, on the Bee Line; he was next made fireman, but after five years returned to the brakes for a year; he was then transferred to the I., P. & C. road and next to the I. & St. L., and after serving a year as brakeman was promoted to be a freight conductor, in which capacity he served eighteen months. He then withdrew from the road, and from June until December traveled through portions of the west, and then accepted a position as conductor on the run between Tucson, Ariz., and Deming, N. M. Seven months later, having become homesick, he returned east as far as Peoria, Ill., and took a position with the T., P. & W. R. R. company, and was placed in charge of the round house at LaHarpe, from which he was promoted to be engineer—a position he held two or three years. He then became night foreman in the Panhandle shops at Indianapolis, and was next appointed engineer on the Chicago division of the Wabash system, running between Decatur and Chicago. A year later he returned to Indianapolis and for a year had charge of the hoisting engine while the new state house was being constructed. He next ran an engine on the Iron Mountain road between Little Rock and Poplar Bluff, Ark., retiring in 1884, to again become a fireman on

the Big Four, which position he held six years, and in 1890 re-assumed charge of an engine, which he has run ever since.

Mr. McHugh was united in marriage March 20, 1879, in St. Joseph's church, Indianapolis, with Miss Johanna C. O'Connell, a native of Farmland, Ind. This union was blessed with three children—Nellie Cecilia, Mary Beatrice and Elizabeth M. The mother was called away, in the faith of the Catholic church, February 2, 1895, and the children are under the care of a competent tutor at the family residence. In speaking of his deceased wife, Mr. McHugh feelingly remarks that she was an excellent wife and mother, a devout Christian, and devoted to her home and family, and her untimely death is unceasingly deplored. The family are faithful members of St. Patrick's church, and are very highly esteemed by all who know them.

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JAMES EDWARD McNAMARA, collector for the Maus branch of the Indianapolis Brewing company, at the corner of New York and Agnes streets, Indianapolis, was born in Great Barrington, Mass., April 12, 1863, a son of Patrick and Bridget (Dorsey) McNamara, the former a native of the province of Connaught, and the latter of county Tipperary, Munster province, Ireland, but who came to America when single, and were married in Massachusetts. To the marriage of Patrick and Bridget McNamara were born four children, in the following order: Mary, who was married to John Harmon, but who died in this city; James Edward, the subject of this memoir; John, who is unmarried and resides with parents in Indianapolis; and Patrick, who died in infancy.

James E. McNamara was educated in the public schools of Valley Mills, Marion county, Ind., and early learned the trade of stovemolder in Indianapolis, at which trade he worked about seven years, the last three years of which period he served as treasurer of the Stovemolder's union, No. 17, of this city. On retiring from this business he opened a saloon at No. 56 South Illinois street, which he conducted for two years, when he removed to West Indianapolis, and for two years additional was engaged in the same line of business. He then purchased the Capitol House bar, which

he conducted until 1891, when he was appointed to his present responsible position.

Mr. McNamara was united in marriage, September 24, 1890, at St. John's church, to Miss Katie Kelly, who was born in Indianapolis September 22, 1870, a daughter of Patrick Kelly, late sexton of the Holy Cross cemetery. One son has blessed this matrimonial alliance—Carl Leo, born September 9, 1894.

The family are members of St. John's congregation, Rev. Father Gavisk, pastor, and Mr. McNamara is a member of the Young Men's institute, the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Celtic club. Politically he has been a democrat from the time he was first entitled to vote, and he faithfully clings to his party and to his church, to both of which he freely contributes his financial aid.

**G**EORGE MCKEEVER.—The history of representative Catholic citizens of Indianapolis would be incomplete without at least brief mention of the family of George McKeever, deceased, who was a native of Londonderry, Ireland, born in 1826. His father died while George was yet a boy, and later his mother brought him to the United States, or at least started to cross the ocean for this country, but did not survive the voyage, dying on the passage, her remains being committed to the sea. On reaching this country the son went to the home of a maternal uncle in Jersey City, N. J., where he remained until he had attained to manhood's estate, and in 1850 was married to Miss Mary Feeney, a native of Ireland, but whose parents never crossed the ocean. She was the first of the family to emigrate, but was followed to the new world by several of the others.

Soon after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. McKeever removed to Butler county, Ohio, thence to Preble county, thence to Richmond, Ind., and finally, in January, 1870, came to Indianapolis. Mr. McKeever engaged in railroading when he came to the west, as an employee of the C. H. & D. railway company, but he did not long survive after becoming a resident of Indianapolis, for on the 2nd of October, 1870, he was killed while engaged in the discharge

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of his duties, as an employee of that company. His death was an especially sad one, as he left his widow with three small children to rear and to train and to educate in such a way as to make them respectable and safe citizens of the republic. She, too, has now passed to the great beyond, but that she performed her duty to her children well is fully attested, not only by their verbal statements to that effect, but also by their own conduct in life, they being all worthy members of the church and also of general society. She died April 24, 1897, at the age of sixty-eight years, and her only son, Thomas McKeever, is a locomotive engineer residing at Springfield, Ohio. The daughters are Mary A., and Margaret, the latter the wife of Prof. John B. O'Connor, an instructor in the theological seminary at Rochester, N. Y. Miss Mary McKeever was the companion of her mother at their pleasant home on New Jersey street, where she still resides. She is a teacher by profession, being principal of school No. 25, Indianapolis. All the children, as were their parents, are good and consistent Catholics, and highly respectable and useful members of general society, laboring for the good of others to the extent of their opportunity and ability.

**V**ERY REV. J. F. SONDERMANN, pastor of St. Lawrence's church, Lawrenceburg, Dearborn county, Ind., is a son of Theodore and Mary C. (Theile) Sondermann, and was born near Attendorn, Prussia, December 2, 1844, and was brought to America by his parents, who landed at New York July 11, 1847, and located in Pittsburg, Pa.

Rev. Father Sondermann is a graduate of St. Meinrad college, which he entered in the fall of 1857, studied in Vincennes in 1859, at St. Thomas, Nelson county, Ky., from September, 1859, to July, 1860, returned to St. Meinrad in the fall of 1860, was ordained priest September 22, 1868, and was located at Mt. Vernon, Posey county, Ind., November 11, 1868, and there remained until May 15, 1874, when he was transferred to St. Mary's church, at Evansville, where he officiated until October, 1874. He then went to St. Joseph church, in Vanderburg county, remained until May 10,





Yours. sincerely  
J. A. Sondermann



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1875, then came to Lawrenceburg and assumed his present position May 15, 1875. He had about 220 families at that time and has now about 300. The seating capacity of his church is 625, but can accommodate near 800. He has a school under him in charge of five Sisters of St. Francis, of Oldenburg, in which about 200 pupils are under instruction. Father Sondermann has been one of the most zealous and faithful of the servants of the church, as well as one of the most talented, and his services have been well appreciated. Further concerning the genealogy of the very reverend Father may be found in the biography of the venerable Theo. Sondermann, of Jasper, Ind.

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**T**HOMAS McKEEVER, of Vincennes, Ind., section foreman on the Indianapolis & Vincennes railroad, was born at Moyvalley hotel, county Kildare, Ireland, October 31, 1830, a son of Michael and Elizabeth (Rock) McKeever, both now deceased. He was reared on his father's farm, and on the 27th day of April, 1849, left his native land for America. He landed in New York city, came west to Pittsburg, Pa., thence went to Coalport, Ohio, then to Ironton and to Franklin Furnace, in the same state, and in 1851 came to Indiana. June 4, he began his railroad work by laying track on the Evansville & Illinois road, and during the same year was promoted to a foremanship, and has held the position ever since with the exception of two years—1858-59—when he was overseer of a plantation in Kentucky, but, finding the employment uncongenial, returned to railroading, worked for his former employers until 1865, and in 1866 went back to Kentucky and was employed on the Henderson & Nashville railway for two years, when he again came to Indiana, and in 1868 was elected assessor of real estate in Evansville, filling the office one term. In 1869 he came with his family to Vincennes and assumed the duties of his present position. Forty-five years have been devoted by Mr. McKeever to this class of work, and it is an established fact that anything in this line left to the hands of Mr. McKeever will be well done, as he has assisted in building every railroad entering Vincennes, having been assistant

roadmaster on the E. & T. H., in connection with his present situation, and prior to this assistant road-master on the Louisville & Nashville R. R.

The marriage of Mr. McKeever took place in the church of the Assumption, Brooklyn, N. Y., February 19, 1860, to Miss Katherine Stenson, who was born in county Kildare, Ireland, and came to America three years prior to the arrival of Mr. McKeever. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Keegan, and the happy union has been blessed with three sons and three daughters, of whom five survive, viz: Robert S., a supervisor of the Indianapolis & Vincennes railway, with his residence at Spencer, Ind.; Thomas, a locomotive fireman on the Big Four road, married, and father of two children; Eliza, married to Mr. Lehan, of Seymour, Ind.; Mary, now Mrs. Connaty, of Washington, Ind.; and Michael, a fireman on the Big Four, with headquarters at Indianapolis. The deceased child, Jane, died at the age of one year. The family have been members of St. Francis Xavier cathedral congregation since 1869, and in politics Mr. McKeever has been a democrat since his first entrance into politics. He is a constant reader, especially of religious publications, possesses an exceptionally retentive memory, and is an intelligent, clear-headed gentleman, respected by all who know him for his many excellent qualities of head and heart.

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**T**HOMAS W. MCKENZIE, dealer in groceries and provisions, at No. 1004 South West street, Indianapolis, is a native of Ohio, and was born in Chillicothe, Ross county, February 22, 1850, a son of John and Jane McKenzie, the former a native of Maryland and the latter of Ohio.

The ancestors of John McKenzie came to America with Lord Baltimore, who sought refuge in this country, in 1634, from religious persecution in England, founded the colony of Maryland, and of this the McKenzie family were prominent members, and have ever since been identified with the history of the country through their descendants. John McKenzie was a farmer for many years and died in Chillicothe, Ohio, when his son, Thomas W., was

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three years old. His widow then married a Mr. Jeffries, and is now a resident of Circleville, Ohio, a highly respected Catholic.

Thomas W. McKenzie is the eldest and only survivor of a family of three children, his brother, Samuel, having died at the age of twelve years, and his sister, Sarah, at the age of eighteen. He was reared a farmer, but in his early manhood learned the carpenter's trade in Circleville and Columbus, Ohio. In 1873 he came to Indianapolis and for some years worked at his trade prior to engaging in the mercantile business. June 29, 1878, he was united in marriage, by the Right Rev. Father Bessonies, to Miss Celia Nolan, who was born in Baltimore, November 14, 1857, a daughter of Barney and Bridget (Galvin) Nolan, natives, respectively, of county Galway and county Roscommon, Ireland, but who were married in Baltimore, and became the parents of four sons and three daughters, of whom three are still living, viz: Mrs. McKenzie; Mary (who resides in Richmond, Ind.), and Barney William, of Mendota, Ill. To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie have born three children, viz: Thomas, now fourteen years old; Edward, aged twelve, and Celia, aged ten years. The family are members of St. John's church, and in politics Mr. McKenzie is a free-silver democrat. Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie stand in high repute among their neighbors, and there are no residents of the parish more faithful to the church than they and their children.

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MRS. W. M. McKINNIE, a native of Fort Wayne, is one of ten children born to William Fleming and Helen F. Mayer, and was born March 24, 1865, in Fort Wayne, was educated in the Catholic schools of Cincinnati, and was married June 15, 1887, to William M. McKinnie, a son of Henry McKinnie, of Pittsburg, Pa. Mr. McKinnie has been connected with various hotels for many years. Three children have blessed this marriage and are named, respectively, Gerald F., Linda F. and Carlotta. These children are being reared in the faith of the Catholic church, of which the mother is a devout member, and all three are bright and interesting.

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**J**AMES McLAUGHLIN, a respected railroad man, living in retirement on his farm in Salt Creek township, Decatur county, Ind., is a native of Ireland and was born in county Tipperary, August 24, 1836, a son of James and Catherine (Fahy) McLaughlin, who were the parents of four children, viz: James, Mary, Michael and John, of whom Michael went to Australia, but has not been heard from, now, for several years. The father died in Tipperary county, a member of Kilcommon parish, and in 1853 the mother brought her three children to America and made her home in LaGrange, Ky., where she died a devout Catholic.

James McLaughlin, our subject, was about seventeen years of age when the family came to America. For a year he lived in New Jersey, then a year in the state of New York, and then for sixteen years in Campbellsburg, Ky., where he was section foreman on the L., C. & L. railway, now a part of the Louisville & Nashville system; he then became superintendent of track-laying on the Louisville, Evansville & St. Louis road, and supervised the laying of the track through the tunnel, 5,680 feet long, near New Albany. Afterward, for three years, he was employed on the C., N. O. & T. P. road as a conductor of a construction train, and then resigned and retired to his farm of 300 acres, in Salt Creek township.

Mr. McLaughlin was united in marriage, in 1858, with Miss Margaret O'Day, daughter of James and Nora (Bourk) O'Day, who were natives of county Clare, Ireland, but who lived for some time in Salt Creek township, Decatur county, and were members of St. Mary's church, Greensburg, but who afterward went to Tuscaloosa, Ala., where they passed the remainder of their lives. The union of Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin was blessed with six children, viz: Catherine, James T., John W., Joseph M., Edward E. and William, but of these, the eldest, Catherine, died at the age of eighteen years, a devout Catholic and just as she was about to finish her education under the care of the Sisters. The mother of the family was called from earth January 12, 1897, and died in the full faith of the Catholic church. Mr. McLaughlin is also strong in the faith and has been a liberal contributor toward sustaining his church, having, among his many other acts of generosity, donated \$200 toward the erection of St. Mary's

church-edifice at Greensburgh. In politics he is a democrat, is a self-made man, and stands very high in the esteem of his former railroad associates and officials, and equally high in the respect of his neighbors.

**T**HOMAS McKONE, a well-to-do business man of LaFayette, Ind., a member of St. Mary's church, and a highly-respected citizen, was born in county Cavan, Ireland, in 1826, a son of Nicholas and Catherine (McCann) McKone, who were the parents of eleven children, six sons and five daughters; three of the sons came to America, but the subject is the only one still residing here. One brother, Nicholas, was in business with the subject several years, but returned to Ireland and now resides in county Monaghan; another brother, Owen, a partner in business, died here January 3, 1859, leaving one son, William J., now a resident of Kansas City, Mo. The parents, who were very respectable people and in comfortable circumstances, died in their native land.

Thomas McKone, the subject, became a resident of LaFayette, Ind., in 1849, purchased a small grocery, and had barely started in trade, when his store was destroyed by fire. In 1850 he took possession of his present store and for many years has done an extensive trade in groceries and liquors.

November 11, 1851, Mr. McKone was united in marriage with Miss Rosette Balfe, a native of Ireland, and this union was blessed with eleven children, six only of whom survive, viz: Catherine, Laura, Charlotte, Mary and Josephine (twins) and Owen. Mrs. McKone was called to the home of the blessed October 6, 1871, dying a sincere and pure Catholic; but her death was a sad blow to the bereaved father and children, who have never ceased to mourn her loss. The family are all good Catholics, and Mr. McKone was formerly treasurer of St. Mary's church. In 1874 he was a member of a party who made a pilgrimage to Rome, and while abroad availed himself of the opportunity to visit his birth-place in Ireland, and many other places. Upon his return he re-assumed charge of his business and has been very prosperous. He owns his place of business, as well as other business property,

has a good home on State street, and is the owner, beside, of other valuable residence property in various parts of the city. Mr. McKone is a whole-souled, generous man, with hosts of friends, who admire him for his personal merits, and, although a strong democrat in politics, he has steadily declined every tender of nomination for office, which his friends have frequently pressed him to accept.

REV. THOMAS A. McLOUGHLIN, the beloved pastor of the church of St. Paul the Apostle, at Greencastle, Putnam county, was born in Madison, Ind., March 27, 1859, a son of Andrew and Ellen McLoughlin, natives of county Galway, Ireland, who came to America when young, and were married in Jefferson county, Ind., where the remainder of their lives was passed. They were the parents of eight children, of whom six sons still survive, one son and a daughter having joined their parents in the eternal realm of glory.

The primary education of Father McLoughlin was acquired in the parochial schools of his native city, and at the select school of Dr. Piedfourck, a profoundly learned educator. At the age of fifteen years (in 1874), he entered St. Meinrad college, in Spencer county, Ind., where he remained until 1881, on the 16th day of October, of which year, he was ordained. His first clerical duties were those of assistant pastor at the cathedral in Vincennes, where he officiated until appointed to the charge in Greencastle, in September, 1889, where he has since most faithfully and assiduously labored to advance the good work of the church and in promoting the spiritual and temporal well being of his flock. He is an eloquent pulpit orator and a devout Christian, and his urbanity as well as unwearying labors in the care of his parishioners have won for him the respect of the residents of Greencastle, irrespective of church affiliations, and have done more toward annihilating the prejudice that existed against Catholicity when missions were first established here than had been accomplished in any similar period of time.

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**A**NTHONY McMANAMON, of Indianapolis, was born in North Vernon, Ind., March 31, 1870. He is a son of Patrick and Bridget (Gallagher) McManamon, both natives of county Mayo, Ireland, but who came to the United States in their youthful days and were married in Indiana.

Patrick McManamon was a plumber by trade, and died in Indianapolis in 1883. The family for generations has been a prominent and representative Catholic one, and has had many members following the learned professions. Mrs. McManamon is still a widow and resides in Indianapolis at 109 Church street. Patrick and Bridget McManamon were the parents of eight children, the subject of this sketch being the fifth in order of birth. The eldest of the family is Katie, wife of John Rail, chief engineer of the city waterworks; Mary is still single; Bridget is the wife of Thomas Nelan and resides in Indianapolis; John is a core-maker and single; Anthony, the subject of this sketch; Thomas; Alice is a clerk in Brossnan Bros. department store; and Sadie is a stenographer and bookkeeper for an Indianapolis drug store.

Anthony McManamon was educated in St. John's Catholic schools, the family having removed to Indianapolis from North Vernon when he was a child, and here his life, since that removal, has been spent. His earlier years were spent in various employments, twelve years in the wheel works, two years in the iron works, and two and a half years as a cutter in an overall factory. Mr. McManamon is still unmarried and, with the other members of the family, is a member of St. John's Catholic church of Indianapolis, of which Rev. Father Gavisk is the pastor. Mr. McManamon is also a member of the Young Men's institute, and in politics he is a democrat.

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**A**RTHUR McMAHON, checkman for Bird's Transfer company, union depot, Indianapolis, Ind., was born in Providence, R. I., October 23, 1858, a son of Bernard and Bridget (Clarking) McMahon, natives of county Cavan, Ireland, but now residents of Indianapolis. They were married in their native country, and are the parents of five children, viz: Arthur, Thomas, Ella, Rose and

Mary—the last named being the wife of William McShea, a machinist at the Atlas works, Indianapolis. The others, except the subject, are unmarried.

Arthur McMahon removed with his parents to Cambridge City, Ind., in 1867, there acquired a common-school education, and worked for a time at the business of marble polishing, his father being a marble worker. He came to Indianapolis in 1880, and was for three years employed by the Sisters of Providence at St. John's academy, where he had charge of the heating apparatus. He was next engine caller at the Panhandle engine house for one year, and then secured his present position in 1886. Mr. McMahon was married in this city July 9, 1890, the lady of his choice being Miss Dora Kersey, of Lebanon, Ind., and a daughter of Nathan and Emma (Hemphill) Kersey, both natives of North Carolina, where their respective families were prominent. One daughter has blessed this union—Edith, born September 12, 1892.

Mr. McMahon is a member of St. Patrick's church, under the pastorate of Rev. Father O'Donaghue, and is an exemplary Christian gentleman, and a teetotaler, as far as intoxicants are concerned. He is not identified with any of the secret societies, but is devoted closely to his business, though he always finds time to render a kindly service to any one in need. Politically he is a democrat and an advocate of the free-silver doctrines as represented in the Chicago platform of 1896.

PHILANDER H. FITZGERALD, attorney and counselor at law, Indianapolis, is a native of Decatur county, Ind., born on the 14th of February, 1848, in the city of Greensburg. His paternal ancestors for many generations lived in Ireland, from which country his grandfather, John Fitzgerald, came to the United States in an early day and established the family name in America. John Fitzgerald settled originally in Virginia, and from the latter state representatives of the family settled in Kentucky, and Dearborn county, Ind., where John died. His son, Joseph, father of the subject, is at this time a prosperous farmer of Marion







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county, Ind., residing near the town of Acton, having reached the ripe old age of eighty-two years. The maiden name of subject's mother was Laura Northrup. She was born in the state of Connecticut and died at her home in Marion county in the year 1893. Philander is the only son of the above-named parents, but he has three living sisters, viz: Mrs. Rebecca Farr, of Winchester, Mass.; Mrs. Clara Trower, of Pana, Ill.; and Mrs. Laura Blass, who resides on the home farm near Acton.

The subject of this sketch was educated at Manchester college, Dearborn county, Ind., from which he received a degree in 1867, and three years later began the study of law, pursuing the same under competent instructors for a period of two years. In the meantime a new field was opened to him, to-wit, government claims, to which he decided to give his attention and which he has followed almost exclusively for twenty-five years, the greater part of the time in the Capital city. During this period he secured the allowance of more than 50,000 claims, almost all of which grew out of war pensions, arrears of pay and claims for property taken by the enemy during the prevalence of the late Civil war.

In 1880 Mr. Fitzgerald was appointed by Gov. Williams to file a large class of indemnity claims and subsequently became the attorney for the majority of them, and was largely successful in prosecuting the same. He was also one of the prime movers in the organization of the Indiana Mutual Building & Loan association, one of the largest and most successful institutions of the kind in the state, and has filled the responsible position of treasurer of the same from its beginning to the present time.

In February, 1888, Mr. Fitzgerald founded the American Tribune, a weekly publication devoted to the interests of the old soldiers, which he still owns and edits, and which has an extensive circulation throughout Indiana and other states. He is a pleasing and forcible writer, and many of his articles in the Tribune have been largely quoted and given publicity in some of the leading journals of the country.

Mr. Fitzgerald was united in marriage June 24, 1872, to Miss Mary B. Mullin, of Greensburg, Ind., daughter of Bernard Mul-

lin, a well-known citizen of that place. Four sons and two daughters constitute the family of Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald: Frank, a rising young attorney of Indianapolis; Laura, Rose E., Bernard G., John P. and George H., all under the parental roof, except the first named, who is married. The three oldest members of the family have received collegiate educations and are graduates, and the others are still in school. Mr. Fitzgerald and family are members of SS. Peter and Paul's cathedral; he belongs to the Friendly Order of St. Patrick, a social and benevolent fraternity made up of Erin's descendants in the United States.

In July, 1895, Mr. Fitzgerald organized a colony consisting of northwestern people, who desired to locate in a milder and healthier climate. He decided to locate in the state of Georgia, and purchased a tract of land consisting of 35,000 acres in a healthy part of the state. The colony continued to grow until the date set for the members to take up their lands and make their homes. It was then found that the organization numbered over 20,000 people. They entered the new location, virtually a pine forest some twenty-five miles away from a railroad. They went to work with a will, laid out a city of 1,000 acres of land and the remainder was divided into farm tracts. They built a city that now has 10,000 people, and some 4,000 more upon the farm lands, with two railroads entering the city; with stores, churches, city water works, and electric light plant, and everything now moving along in perfect harmony. The city is named after the founder and is known as Fitzgerald, Irwin county, Ga.

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**P**ATRICK TIMOTHY McMAHON, a member of the Indianapolis fire department, was born January 31, 1861, in the parish of Currans, county Kerry, Ireland. He is a son of Timothy and Ellen (Sullivan) McMahon, also natives of county Kerry, where they were married and where they have thus far lived. They are the parents of nine children, six of whom are still living, the names of all being as follows: Jeremiah and Michael, deceased; Patrick, John, Eugene, Julia, Mary (deceased), Timothy and Daniel.

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All the living members of the family, except Patrick and Timothy, still reside in their native country. Timothy is a resident of Lowell, Mass.; Eugene is a soldier in the English army but at present is in the West Indies, and the subject of this sketch is the only one that is married. The mother of this family died December 7, 1876; the father is still living and is a widower.

Patrick T. McMahon, after obtaining his education in his native country, emigrated to the United States when he was twenty-one years of age, and located first in Chicago, where he remained until 1887, being engaged in the packing establishment of Philip D. Armour at the Union stockyards. Since 1887 he has resided in Indianapolis, and from that year to December 18, 1896, was employed by the Indianapolis Car Manufacturing company, and at the latter date became a member of hose company No. 17, his present position, but in 1897 he served six months with hose company No. 19.

Mr. McMahon was married at St. John's church, Indianapolis, by Mgr. Bessonies, April 30, 1889, to Miss Ellen Sullivan, a native of county Kerry, Ireland, who came to the United States alone in 1884. Her father, John Sullivan, still lives in Ireland, but her mother is dead. Mr. and Mrs. McMahon are the parents of six children, viz: Timothy Joseph, John Francis, Lawrence Edward, Charles Daniel, Patrick Michael, and Mary Ellen, all living. The family are members of St. John's Catholic church, of which Rev. Father Gavisk is pastor. Mr. McMahon is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and of the Young Men's institute, the latter a social and beneficiary order, being a strictly Catholic organization. Politically Mr. McMahon is a democrat and lives at No. 905 South West street. Mr. McMahon has always been an industrious, self-supporting citizen, and is worthy of the high regard of the community in which he lives.

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MARTIN McMANUS, an accountant and ex-merchant of Indianapolis, was born in Steubenville, Ohio, October 1, 1852, a son of Patrick and Mary (Murray) McManus, the former of whom

was born in county Leitrim, Ireland, and the latter in England, of Irish parentage.

Patrick and Mary McManus came to this country in their early manhood and womanhood, and were united in marriage in Steubenville, Ohio, their union being blessed with seven children, viz: Martin, whose name opens this article; Charles, married, and a merchant at Coshocton, Ohio; Mary, wife of C. W. Cunningham, a clothing merchant of Crawfordsville, Ind.; Frank, who is unmarried and is engaged in business with his brother Charles; Anna, wife of C. W. Walker, a boot and shoe merchant of Coshocton; William, who died at the age of twenty-six years, while on a visit to his mother, and Edward, who is married and is engaged in mercantile trade at Coshocton. The father of this family, who was a railroad contractor, died a true Catholic at his home in Coshocton, Ohio, August 19, 1878, at the age of sixty-two years, and in that city his widow still makes her home.

Martin McManus received a solid public-school education in Coshocton, Ohio, where he spent his early manhood days in rail-roading. In April, 1887, he came to Indianapolis and engaged in wholesale mercantile trade and met with fair success, but reverses came, owing to trade depression throughout the country, and latterly he has been employed as bookkeeper for the Maus branch of the Indianapolis Brewing company, at the corner of New York and Agnes streets.

The marriage of Mr. McManus took place in Cooperstown, Otsego county, N. Y., June 15, 1882, to Miss Katherine Connerty, a native of Springfield, in the county just mentioned. Four children have resulted from this marriage, viz: Mary, who died at the age of six months; and Anna, Raymond and Martin, who are all congregated at the happy fireside of the parental residence, No. 1611 North New Jersey street.

Mr. McManus and family worship under the ministration of Rev. Father Chartrand, at Sts. Peter and Paul's church, of which they are devoted members. Mr. McManus is a charter member of Brownson council, No. 272, Young Men's institute, and of division No. 2, of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. In politics he is a sound and active democrat; notwithstanding that he twice served



as treasurer of Coshocton, Ohio, he has never sought office as a reward for his labors in advancing the interests of his party. As a citizen he stands deservedly high in the esteem of his neighbors and the many warm-hearted friends he has made in Indianapolis and elsewhere.

**J**OHAN F. MACK, of Indianapolis, was born in Michigan City, Ind., May 13, 1867, a son of John and Mary (Hayes) Mack, natives of Ireland and Canada, respectively. The father was born in the year 1835, and for many years followed railroading as a locomotive engineer. He removed his family from Michigan City in 1867 to Pittsburg, Pa., thence three years later to Indianapolis, and later again became a resident of Michigan City, of which place he was a resident when he met his death, November 30, 1874, in a collision on the O. & M. road at Milan, Ind.; the widow then removed to Indianapolis, where she still lives.

Of a family of five children born to John and Mary Mack, John F. was the first in order of birth; James died in infancy; William, a confectioner by occupation, resides in West Indianapolis; Thomas died at the age of seven, and Margaret, a young lady, is still at home. Mrs. Mack was born in the year 1844, and is a daughter of Andrew and Johanna (Quinlin) Hayes, both natives of Ireland, where their marriage occurred. Mr. Hayes served in the late Rebellion as private in the Thirty-fifth Indiana infantry, and died, from the effects of a wound, some years after the close of the war; his wife died in early life and is remembered as a most estimable lady and a sincere Christian.

The subject of this sketch was eight and a half years old when his father died, in consequence of which he was early thrown upon his own resources. While still quite young he manifested a decided inclination toward railroading, and in due time learned to operate a locomotive, which part of the service he followed for a period of eleven years on the Belt line. During the A. R. U. strikes of 1894 he left the road, was reinstated in April, 1896, but resigned his position in October of the same year, since which date he has given his attention to other vocations.

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Mr. Mack is a single man, and, with the other members of his mother's family, belongs to the Assumption church, in the founding of which he took an active part. He was a member of the board of trustees when the parish was organized and during the erection of the beautiful house of worship, and has otherwise been prominent in all matters tending to its best interest and development. He is also a charter member of the Y. M. I., No. 274, of which he is corresponding secretary. His sister, Margaret, is organist of the church, and also one of its most zealous and conscientious members. Politically, Mr. Mack is a democrat and an ardent advocate of free silver, which he believes to be for the best interest of the country.

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**J**OHN McNELIS, who resides at No. 623 Dorman street, Indianapolis, Ind., is a native of county Donegal, Ireland, was born February 20, 1870, and came to Indianapolis in November, 1887.

John and Nellie (Carr) McNelis, parents of subject, were also natives of county Donegal, and had born to them three children, of whom John is the eldest; Michael, next in order of birth, is a core-maker, is employed in the Atlas Iron works, Indianapolis, and is still unmarried; Nellie, the sister, also single, is the housekeeper for the brothers and father, the mother having passed away in October, 1888.

After coming to Indianapolis, John McNelis was variously employed about the city until 1893, when he went south as a salesman, and visited a number of the states of that section, but his chief field was in Georgia. Early in 1897 he returned to Indianapolis, and in December of the same year, succeeded John Gillispie in the retail liquor trade, but continued in it about one year only.

The family are members of St. Joseph's church, under the pastorate of Rev. Father Alerding, and freely contribute toward its support. Mr. McNelis is also a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and in politics is a democrat. He is of a genial disposition and very affable, and among his friends are many of the best residents of Indianapolis.

MRS. ELLEN MADDEN, one of the most highly-esteemed ladies of St. Mary's parish, Daviess county, Ind., was born about 1829 in the city of Cork, Ireland, the third in the family of three sons and seven daughters that blessed the marriage of Dennis and Margaret (Healy) McCarthy. Of these ten children three still survive, viz: Mrs. Madden; John, a farmer of Barr township and a member of St. Mary's congregation, and Isadora, wife of Michael Foley, also a farmer and a member of St. Simon's congregation.

Ellen McCarthy was a child but two years old when brought to America by her mother, the father having preceded his family in order to secure them a home prior to their arrival. After a voyage of seven weeks and three days between Cork and New Orleans they landed in safety, and a few weeks later went to Frankfort, Ky., where Ellen was confirmed in the Catholic faith at the age of thirteen years. In or about 1841, the family settled in St. Mary's parish, Barr township, Daviess county, Ind., the township being then a wilderness. April 27, 1858, Miss Ellen was united in matrimony, by Rev. Father Mougin, with John Madden.

The late John Madden was born in Baltimore, Md., July 13, 1832, and was reared to hard toil. After coming to Indiana he helped to excavate the canal at Terre Haute, and also to grade the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. On reaching his majority he had no capital, but by thrift and industry succeeded in acquiring a competency, and in this he was largely aided by his willing wife. His first ownership of land was in Martin county, in 1845, which land was purchased for him by his father, and in 1855 he made his first purchase in Daviess county; at his death, which occurred March 18, 1896, he possessed 618 acres in Barr and Van Buren townships, all the result of his own good management and the frugality of his helpmate. In politics he was a democrat, and in religion one of the most devout of Catholics, and as a citizen was honored by all who knew him. As a husband and father he was extremely affectionate, and his loving wife and children have erected a beautiful granite monument, in sacred remembrance of him, over his resting place in St. Mary's cemetery.

The children that blessed the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Madden were eight in number—three sons and five daughters—and of

these the following-named five still survive: Jeremiah M., who was confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais, is now a prominent member of St. Mary's congregation, and in politics he is a democrat; Margaret A. was confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais, and is now a Sister of Providence at St. Mary's of the Woods; Hannah A. was also confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais, and is the chief reliance of her mother in the care of the homestead; William D. was confirmed by Bishop Chatard, at the age of fourteen years, is a democrat in politics, and manages the home farm; Malachi J., also confirmed by Bishop Chatard, at the age of fifteen, May 24, 1886, is a democrat in politics, and, like his brother, William D., cast his first presidential vote for Grover Cleveland; he, also, makes his home on his mother's homestead.

Mrs. Madden is very liberal in her contributions to the church, and no lady in the parish is held in higher esteem than herself.

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**H**ON. ROBERT M. MADDEN, member of the Indianapolis city council, and foreman of the Udell Woodenware works, is an example of what may be accomplished by determined and well-directed effort in a country which furnishes every opportunity for even the humblest of its citizens to rise to independence, wealth and influence.

He was born in Jeffersonville, Clark county, Ind., May 11, 1857, and is a son of John and Mary (Dolan) Madden, both natives of Ireland, the former of Garriston, county Dublin, and the latter of Mulaghbon, county Leitrim. They came to this country about 1853, and were married in Dutchess county, N. Y., in 1855. Soon afterward they located on a farm near Jeffersonville, Ind., on the old plank road and known as the Isaac Prather farm, upon which farm they remained about one year and then removed to Jeffersonville, Ind., where they remained until their death, the mother dying January 6, 1867, and the father May 9, 1884. They both lie buried in the Portland, Ky., Catholic cemetery. They were the parents of four sons and one daughter, of whom the subject of this sketch is the eldest. The second, Peter, is an engineer, is married,

has one son, John M., and is a resident of Jeffersonville, Ind.; John is an iron molder, and is a resident of Birmingham, Ala.; Michael J. is married and is a merchant located at the corner of Tenth and Walnut streets, Louisville, Ky., and Mary M. is the wife of Carl Peters, who has been engaged as "chef" in hotels in various cities of the United States for many years. He is now in Illinois.

Hon. Robert M. Madden, the subject of this sketch, was educated, first at the German Catholic school in Jeffersonville, Ind., taking his first communion under Father Audrain. Later he entered the public schools of Jeffersonville, in which he obtained a common English education. The first independent effort of his life, looking toward self-support, was in pumping water in a brick-yard at Jeffersonville for James Burk and afterward he was "promoted" to the position of "off-bearer" of brick, still later being employed in the Ohio Falls Car shops at the same place, where he started to learn the molder's trade. This line of labor he followed for seventeen months, when the shops were destroyed by fire. He was then engaged for some time in hauling bricks to re-build the shops, and while thus employed he determined to remove to Indianapolis, where he went to work for the Udell Woodenware works, and for this company he has been at work for the last twenty-five years, and has been foreman about twelve years of that time. With one exception he has witnessed the building of every house in North Indianapolis, and has thus resided in the city as long as North Indianapolis has been in existence.

Mr. Madden was married December 25, 1889, by Father Curran, of St. Bridget's church, to Miss Sarah Gertrude Benner, daughter of Arthur and Mary (Burns) Benner, the former of whom is a native of Ireland, and the latter of Utica, N. Y. To this marriage there have been born three children, viz: Mary Evelyn Madden, born December 12, 1890; Robert Arthur, born January 22, 1892, and Gertrude, born October 2, 1895. They were christened at St. Bridget's church. Mr. Madden is a devout Catholic and is very active and faithful in the performance of his religious duties. In his political opinions Mr. Madden is a democrat and has always been an ardent supporter of the principles of his party. In Octo-

ber, 1895, he was elected councilman at large, a position to which he was re-elected in 1897, running ahead of the other candidates on his ticket in the number of votes polled. He is a member of the finance, contract, and franchise committees, and is also chairman of the committee of investigation, beside being a member of the committee on ordinances. During his first term he was a member of the committee on contracts and franchises, and was chairman of the committee on fees and salaries. Thus it will be seen that Mr. Madden is a man in whom his associates place the utmost confidence, and it is true of him in every sense of the words, that he is a self-made man, having won his way to his present prominent position through his own efforts and determination to succeed.

JAMES MOHAN, engineer at the Belt shops, Indianapolis, is a native of Ireland, where his birth occurred in the year 1848. His parents, James and Kate (Smith) Mohan, were both born in the Emerald isle and they lie buried in the old cemetery near the family home. The only member of the Mohan family in the United States, aside from the subject, is a sister—Mrs. Bessie Clark, who resides on West street, Indianapolis.

James Mohan grew to manhood in the country of his nativity, and, at the age of twenty-two, came to the United States, locating first in Pennsylvania, whence he came, in 1869, to Indianapolis, where for one year he was employed in a flouring-mill. The succeeding three years he spent in the employ of the Western Union Telegraph company, and for some time thereafter worked as porter in the Ray house, resigning the latter place to accept a position with the Belt road, by which he has now been employed for a period of nineteen years, thirteen of which as engineer of the shops in this city.

Mr. Mohan was married in Indianapolis, in 1874, to Miss Sarah Wyatt, of Martinsville, Ind., who died January 3, 1880, leaving three children: Mary, wife of George Morrow, Indianapolis; Patrick, who was killed by the cars while returning from school, aged thirteen years and seven months, and Annie, who is still

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under the paternal roof. Mr. Mohan married, for his second wife, Mrs. Mary Manley, a native of Ireland, the ceremony being solemnized in St. John's church by Rev. D. O'Donovan. There has been no issue to this second union.

Mr. Mohan was one of the leading spirits in establishing the Assumption parish and is now one of the oldest residents of West Indianapolis. He and family are active workers in the above parish and are widely and favorably known among other Catholic circles of the city.

PATRICK J. MAHER, well known as a business man of Kokomo, Ind., was born in county Tipperary, Ireland, November 17, 1847, son of Timothy and Julia (Hogan) Maher, both natives of Tipperary. He was one of five children (Thomas, resident of Kokomo, married Mary Eagan and has five children: Winifred, wife of William McCarty; Michael, and one who died in infancy), and came with his parents to America in 1853. They first settled at Wilmington, Ohio, where the father followed farming and remained until 1860, when they located in Howard county, Ind., purchasing and clearing a farm of sixty acres five miles east of the then village of Kokomo. This land was densely timbered and it was no small task for the settler and his family to clear it and render it habitable. That was the day of log cabins in that region, and it was in such a home that our subject spent his boyhood. His early schooling was also secured in the log school house which was built in that district with his father's assistance. His parents both died in 1878.

Although but a lad when the war broke out, Patrick J. Maher could not restrain his impulse to put in his lot with that of thousands of brave hearted adopted sons of the Union, and enlisted in the service of the country when but fifteen years of age. He was assigned to duty as a teamster between Camp Nelson and Knoxville, Tenn. During this service he had a narrow escape from capture by the enemy, the wagons being taken by the opposing forces. He succeeded in making his way to Camp Nelson and was on duty there until the next year, when, his time of enlistment having expired, he re-enlisted with company H, One Hundred and Fifty-

third Indiana volunteer infantry. With this company he participated in the engagements at Green River, Cross Plains, Knoxville and others, receiving his honorable discharge in August, 1865.

For three years after the war he remained at home, assisting his father in developing the home farm. He was then attracted by the possibilities of the great west, and for nearly ten years lived in the saddle on the plains, as a cattle-driver, making yearly trips from Texas to Colorado. In 1877 he returned to Indiana. For a year he was employed on the police force at Kokomo and then engaged in the retail liquor, in which business he has attained a considerable degree of success.

Mr. Maher was married in 1869 at Wilmington, Ohio, to Mary Shea, who died in 1871 leaving him one son, William, who now resides near Wilmington. Mr. Maher's second marriage was contracted in 1879, when he led to the altar Eliza Farrell, a native of Vermont, born in 1850. To this union have been born five children, viz: An infant, deceased; Mary, Frank, John and Alice. Mr. Maher owns a pleasant home at No. 222 Washington street, beside which he has other residence property of considerable value in the city. He is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and of the Grand Army of the Republic. In politics he is an ardent democrat, and takes an active interest in the local affairs of his party. His property and business interests afford him a competence, every dollar of which has been secured by his own efforts.

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JOHN J. MADIGAN, assistant depot master at the Union depot, Vincennes, Ind., was born in county Limerick, Ireland, November 1, 1848, and is a son of Michael and Ann (Dailey) Madigan, natives of the same county.

Michael Madigan, about the year 1850, came to America, leaving his wife and second son, James, in Ireland, with the understanding that they were to follow him a year or two later, while John J., our subject, the eldest of a family of seven children born to his parents, was to remain in the old country a few years longer. Accordingly John J. lived with his maternal grandmother about



five years, and then, being nearly eight years old, crossed the ocean in company with his maternal uncle, Timothy Dailey, a lad of fifteen years, and joined the parents, who at first located in New York state, whence they removed to Chillicothe, Ohio, and finally settled in Vincennes, Ind., July 27, 1866. While living in Ohio, Michael Madigan, although engaged in farming, became a railroad employee, later a contractor, and died in Vincennes at the age of seventy-three years; his widow, at about the same age, still resides in Vincennes, but is in feeble health. Of the children born to Michael Madigan and wife, beside John J., the second born, James, was drowned near Chillicothe, Ohio; Mary Ann, who was married to Wesley Sprinkle, a farmer of Knox county, Ind., died some years after marriage, leaving one daughter, who also died when about sixteen years old; Margaret is still unmarried and lives with her mother; Michael, still unmarried, is employed in the baggage-room at the Union depot in Vincennes; Henry, yet single, is a machinist, and makes his home with his mother.

John J. Madigan has passed over thirty years of his life in the employ of railroad companies in various departments, including work as tracklayer, section hand, brakeman and baggage-master. For four years prior to being placed in his present position he was employed as car repairer for the E. & T. H. Railroad company, and for a time was a member of the Vincennes police force, his experience in the latter capacity leading to his appointment to the office he now holds, which partakes of the character of a private policeman to the Union station, and this appointment was made about two years ago. All these years Mr. Madigan has faithfully performed his duty, and his advancement from post to post fully proves that he has given satisfaction to his various employers.

The marriage of Mr. Madigan took place in St. Louis, Mo., in November, 1877, to Miss Katherine Healey, who was born in Ireland, July 11, 1852, but was brought to America in childhood by her parents. Mr. Healey, who was a farmer, became dissatisfied with life in America and with his wife returned to Ireland, leaving Mrs. Madigan to make her home with an elder sister, the wife of Thomas Murray, an engineer of Pacific City, Mo., who died in 1893, leaving two sons and one daughter. Daniel and Margaret

(Desmond) Healey, the parents of Mrs. Madigan, were natives of county Cork, Ireland, where, after their return from America, with their two sons, John and Timothy, they passed the remainder of their lives. To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Madigan have been born five interesting children, viz: Michael Joseph, Shirley May, Mary Ann, John Daniel and Stephen Christopher — the eldest being a telegraph operator at the Union depot, and the others attending St. John's parochial school, at Vincennes. The family are all members of St. Francis Xavier church, and Mr. Madigan is a member of the A. O. H. In politics he is a democrat, and as a citizen is highly esteemed by all who know him.

**P**ATRICK MAHON, who resides at No. 35 Ketchum street, Indianapolis, is one of the early members of St. Anthony parish and also one of its most faithful parishioners. He was born in county Galway, Ireland, in the year 1847, and is the son of William and Mary Mahon, both of whom lived and died in their native isle. William Mahon was an agriculturist and he taught his children the art of husbandry, to which the subject of this sketch gave his attention as long as he remained on his native heath. Thinking to better his condition, Patrick Mahon resolved to go to America; accordingly he set sail, and on the 5th of April, 1881, landed in New York, and from there came at once to Indianapolis, which city has since been his home. For the greater part of the time since locating in the Capital city, Mr. Mahon has been employed in a packing house, and he is working in that capacity at the present.

Mr. Mahon's marriage to Miss Mary Tully, also a native of county Galway, Ireland, was solemnized February 19, 1883; Mrs. Mahon's parents came to the United States in the year 1872. Mr. and Mrs. Mahon have one child, Mary, whose birth occurred November 14, 1888. Mr. Mahon early learned the lessons of industry and has always been a sober, hard-working man. He is a useful citizen and an earnest church man, contributing as liberally as his circumstances will permit toward all worthy charitable and religious objects.





REV. WM. MAHER.

REV. WILLIAM A. MAHER, assistant rector at St. Patrick's church, Indianapolis, and eminent as an educator in former years, was born in county Tipperary, Ireland, September 29, 1860. Rev. Father Maher received his elementary education in the Christian Brothers' parochial school at Thurles, in his native county, and his classical education in St. Patrick's college, in the same town; the latter was supplemented by a course of four years at the Black Rock branch of the University of Ireland, and his philosophical and final preparation for the priesthood was in the seminary of the Holy Ghost at Chevilly, near Paris, France, and here he was ordained July 14, 1889, by Bishop Dubois. He was at once dispatched to Trinidad, British West Indies, where he had already passed nearly six years, prior to ordination, as a professor in St. Mary's college, Port of Spain, Trinidad, this institution being affiliated with the university of Cambridge. His second visit thither was in the capacity of clergyman, but his health became impaired, and his retirement became necessary within a few months. From 1890 until 1894, he was a professor in the institution de Mesnieres, near Dieppe, France, and in the last-named year he came to the United States and took charge of a sophomore class in the Catholic college at Pittsburg, Pa., until the end of the scholastic year, 1895, when he entered upon his duties as assistant rector of St. Patrick's—his first work, exclusively, in the church ministry, all his previous labors having been performed in the capacity of educator, in which he reached an eminence, honorable and enviable. As pious as learned, Father Maher has become greatly endeared to his flock, and his services, it is gratifying to add, are fully appreciated by his superior.

JOHN J. MAHONEY, paymaster of the Citizens' Railway company of Indianapolis, was born in this city March 19, 1867, in a frame house, the site of which is now occupied by St. John's church, the frame structure having been removed to make room for the church foundation when the infant John J., now a man of family, was but two months old.

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William and Anna (Smith) Mahoney, the parents of John J. Mahoney, were born in Ireland, the former in the county of Limerick, and the later in county Tyrone. They came to America when single and were married in Indianapolis May 10, 1866, in the old St. John's church, by Rev. Father Fitzpatrick. Of the children born to this union John J., the subject of this record, is the eldest; Jeremiah A., who was born April 12, 1870, is a stenographer for the L. E. & W. railway company, and is married to Mary Tretton, a native of Indianapolis, to which union one child has been born; William, at the age of thirteen years, met his death by drowning, June 26, 1881. William Mahoney, the father of this family, has for thirty-four years been employed in different capacities for the street railway company, and has a most pleasant home at No. 1112 South Capitol avenue.

John J. Mahoney received an excellent education at St. John's academy, Indianapolis, and was confirmed in that church May 6, 1877. He began his business life as an office boy in the office of the Citizens' Railway company, and his diligence and intelligence gained him promotion in clerical work, advancing him by degrees to his present position, to which he was appointed in 1891.

June 27, 1888, Mr. Mahoney was united in the holy bonds of matrimony, by Rev. Father Gavisk, to Miss Elizabeth G. Tretton, a sister of Mrs. Jeremiah A. Mahoney, and daughter of James and Margaret (Kennedy) Tretton, natives of county Kerry, Ireland, and parents of five children, viz: Elizabeth G., Mary, Maggie, James and Katie. The membership of both families is with St. John's church, in which the subject and his brother, Jeremiah, served as altar boys, in youth, under the pastorate of Father O'Donaghue, Jeremiah for some years being master of ceremonies for pontifical high mass. To the union of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Mahoney have been born six children, viz: Margaret, born November 17, 1889, died February 16, 1890; William, born September 12, 1890; Anna, born February 27, 1892; Lois Mary, born December 12, 1893; Leo, born September 8, 1895, and John R., who was born October 8, 1897, and died November 25, of the same year.

In politics Mr. Mahoney is a democrat, and although not





REV. EBERHARD STADLER.





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connected with any of the church sodalities, is a young man of irreproachable character and of most exemplary habits, and is a great favorite with all who know him.

REV. EBERHARD STADLER, O. S. B. (deceased), the jubilee priest of the congregation of Ferdinand, Ind., was born at Welfensberg, in the canton of Thurgau, Switzerland, February 1, 1830, and died June 28, 1898.

Joseph Anton Stadler, as Father Eberhard was called before entering into the order of the Benedictines, finished his studies in the suppressed Cloister of Fisingen within four years. Then he began to study in the convent called Mary of Pilgrims Einsiedeln, where, September 25, 1853, he took the vows, receiving the name of Eberhard. He was ordained priest March 28, 1857, and read his first mass in the church of this monastery, May 17, 1857, on the patron feast of St. Joseph. Father Eberhard was then the teacher and subarchive in this convent until Father Martin Marty won him for the American missions.

In November, 1869, Father Eberhard left the convent, which was to him his home, and arrived at St. Meinrad, Spencer county, Ind., on the fourth Sunday in Advent. The first mass Father Eberhard celebrated in this region was read at Fulda. Soon after his arrival he undertook the care of the congregation at St. Anthony. The day when the church at Ferdinand was consecrated by Bishop Luers, of Fort Wayne, Father Eberhard remained the only ruler at the cloister of St. Meinrad. November 17, 1871, he entered Ferdinand, quietly and alone, and was noticed by no one. The place where he tied the animal that he rode can still be seen. From November 13, 1873, until August 1, 1874, he took care of the St. Mary's congregation in Indianapolis; during this time Father Maurus took care of Father Eberhard's congregation. When Father Eberhard undertook the care of the congregation of Ferdinand, there was a debt of \$26,000, but of which there remains only \$400 to be paid. In 1873 a residence for the teacher was erected. This teacher was John B. Miller, who had been there

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since 1870. The churches built under Ulrich and Bede were renovated at a cost of \$16,000. Humbert decorated the church in 1891. All plain windows were substituted by fine painted glass ones; new pews, lights, monstrances and flags were placed in the church, and, furthermore, a tower clock and a bell from St. Louis. In 1894 an apparatus for heating was put in, costing \$2,100. The chapel of the Sorrowful Mother was built in 1876 and 1877 by Prior Fintan (blessed March 23, 1877), at a cost of \$5,000. The corner stone of the chapel was laid by Abbot Martin Marty June 3, 1876. The cemetery was made larger and more beautiful, also a beautiful stone cross erected, which was decorated, and had a way for the processions around it; and an extra chapel for festivals was also built.

The cloister of the Benedictines was begun in 1883 and finished in 1887. In 1896 a building for heating was erected, the cost of which was \$7,300, which is all paid.

Father Eberhard drew the plans for the Sisters' St. Joseph's home for old people. In 1896 work was begun on the erection of the new priest's home, which the congregation were building for Ferdinand in remembrance of the silver jubilee. For the building the following amounts of money were received: From the older men, \$133.80; from the younger men, \$92.25; from the women, \$146.70; from the young women, \$141.75; from the Catholic Knights, \$30, and from the school children, \$26.30. The mosaic floor was given by the carpenters and people of the mill. Beside the outward, the inner life of the congregation should be presented. The feasts of the church are given as ceremoniously as can be, particularly during Holy week, Easter, Corpus Christi, and the forty-hour devotion. With these come also the ordination of the abbot, Martin Marty, to the office of bishop, the silver jubilee of P. Eberhard, the golden jubilee of the congregation, December 3, 1891, the prime feasts of P. Martin Hoppenjaus, O. S. B., and Martin Miller; also K. Wagner, in the chapel of the cloister. In 1880 P. Weninger gave a sacred mission; in 1890 the Jesuit Fathers, Schnitzler and Newbrand. In 1880 the Brotherhood of the Blessed Sacrament was established. The schools are under the authority of a worldly teacher and three Benedictine Sisters. Out-





*Mr. F. M. Munn*

side of the town there are several district schools which have Catholic teachers.

The congregation of Ferdinand has 310 families, all Germans. During the last year 1,625 baptisms were given; 500 marriages performed and 750 burials held. May God bless Father Eberhard and his faithful congregation. His work has been faithfully and well done, and will ever be cherished in the memory of all good Catholics.

Among the early pastors of St. Ferdinand's may be enumerated: Very Rev. Joseph Kundert; Revs. Charles Oppermann, Meickmann, F. T. Fisher, Doyle, T. Contin, Peter, and Staph, prior to 1853; then the Benedictine Fathers, Ulrich Christen, Isidore Hobi, Wolfgang Schlumpf and Chrysostome Fuffa, who built the tower. When Father Kundert said his first mass at Ferdinand, April 22, 1840, eleven families formed the congregation. The first altar boy was a Master Edele, now living at St. Henry's, Ind. In 1840, also, the then newly-ordained priest (now Right Rev. Mgr.) Bessonies said mass at Ferdinand, in the house of a Mr. Wagner, on the Troy road.

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**M**ICHAEL FRANCIS MAHONEY, a leading attorney-at-law, of Logansport, Ind., is a native of the state and was born in Delphi, Carroll county, January 1, 1865, a son of Michael and Catherine (Ryan) Mahoney, natives of county Limerick, Ireland, but who were single when they came to the United States were married in Delphi, and now reside in Logansport.

David Mahoney, paternal grandfather of Michael F., having been bereft of his wife by death in Ireland, came to America with his family of three sons and two daughters, and settled in Delphi, where he passed the remainder of his life. Of the children, beside Michael, the father of subject, Daniel resides in LaFayette, Ind.; David died in Delphi; Ellen is also a resident of LaFayette; and Hanora, wife of William Clary, resides in the same city. The maternal grandparents, Patrick and Ellen Ryan, also lived in Delphi, and died near that city, the grandfather at the patriarchal age

of ninety-eight years and the oldest man in Carroll county. Of the eight Ryan children, Thomas died in Carroll county, leaving several children; William is a carriagemaker in Danville, Ill.; Patrick and Edward both passed away in Carroll county, Ind.; John is still living in Delphi; Hanora was married to Timothy Hogan, but is now deceased; Mary is the widow of David Mahoney, alluded to above, and Catherine is the mother of Michael F. Mahoney, the subject of this notice.

Michael F. Mahoney was reared in Delphi until ten years of age, and then for some time lived on his father's farm near that city. He was primarily educated in the public schools, later attended the State university at Bloomington for two years, and then, for two years, attended Georgetown college, D. C. He taught school in Carroll county one year, and in 1887 came to Logansport, read law with Michael D. Fansler, and was admitted to the bar in September of the same year before Judge Maurice Winfield, having passed his examination under the statute. He remained with his preceptor after his admission to the bar, Mr. Fansler being then prosecuting attorney, and for four years was his deputy, and for the four years following was deputy under John W. McGreevy, who succeeded Mr. Fansler as prosecuting attorney. At the expiration of the latter's term of office, Michael D. Fansler and Michael F. Mahoney formed a partnership under the firm name of Fansler & Mahoney, and did a most successful law business until the death of Mr. Fansler in May, 1896. Mr. Mahoney, in the meantime, serving as county attorney in 1895. In October of the same year (1896), Mr. Mahoney united with Judge M. B. Lairy, under the style of Lairy & Mahoney, which firm now stands at the head of the legal firms of Logansport.

Mr. Mahoney was united in marriage, June 20, 1894, with Miss Catherine Farrell, a native of Logansport and a daughter of William and Mary Farrell, and this union has been blessed with one child—Madeline. Mr. and Mrs. Mahoney are members of St. Vincent de Paul church, to the support of which they freely contribute. Mr. Mahoney is also a member of the Catholic Knights of America, and at the organization of the uniform rank of that order became its first lieutenant, and was likewise a lieutenant of the



Logan Grays during the existence of that military organization. He is a member of the Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks, of which he was for three years secretary. Mr. Mahoney also holds membership with the Pottawattomie club, and for some time was a member of the board of house governors of that society.

As a democrat, Mr. Mahoney has always been active in forwarding the party's interests. In 1888 he was secretary of the democratic central committee, has addressed numerous assemblages during all the intervening campaigns, and in 1896 was a member of the board of election canvassers. As a lawyer, he is a strong pleader, and few men of his age can bring a jury closer in sympathy with a client than he, and but few attorneys are more successful in conducting a suit. He has made his way through the world by his individual exertions, owns a fine residence at No. 2101 Broadway, and after the destruction by fire of the Murdock hotel, in 1897, he associated himself with A. G. Jenkins, purchased the property, reconstructed the edifice, christened it the New Murdock, and is now one of the owners of the leading hotels in the city, the management of which, of course, is entrusted to lessees. Socially Mr. Mahoney is as prominent as he is professionally, and but few residents of the city have warmer or more numerous friends.

THOMAS MALEY, a respected and retired business man of Shelbyville, Ind., was born in county Mayo, Ireland, in December, 1839, and in 1849 was brought to America by his parents, Michael and Bridget (Kilrick) Maley, who first located in Harrison county, Ohio, where the father was engaged in farming until 1852, when he brought his family to Shelby county, Ind., and here resumed agricultural pursuits, which he followed until his death, which occurred January 28, 1879. He was in comfortable circumstances, and was greatly respected for his integrity and devout adherence to the church of his ancestors—the Roman Catholic. He left, to mourn his loss, a widow and five children, viz: Thomas, subject of this memoir; Matthew, a stonemason of Shelbyville; Martin, a blacksmith; Michael, of Indianapolis, and Mary A., at home with her mother.

Thomas Maley received a good common-school education and made his home with his parents until 1861, when he went to Madison, Wis., and enlisted, in May, in company G, Sixth Wisconsin volunteer infantry, for three years, but was honorably discharged in December, 1863, on account of disability incurred at the second battle of Bull Run. On his return from the field he engaged in merchandizing, which he successfully followed until his retirement, a year or more ago.

The marriage of Mr. Maley was solemnized in Shelbyville, in May, 1867, by Father H. Peters, with Miss Julia Duggan, who was born in county Mayo, Ireland, in May, 1844, a daughter of John and Catherine Duggan, the result of the marriage being nine children, viz: Anna Marie, deceased; Luella, at home; Thomas F., a telegrapher of Indianapolis; Catherine; John; William; Gertrude; Michael Edwin and Grace, the last named being deceased. Mr. Maley resides on South Central avenue, and owns one of the finest mansions in Shelbyville. He is an honored member of the Grand Army of the Republic and also of the Catholic Knights of America. As a partial recompense for his sufferings and wounds received during his war service, he now receives a pension of \$14 per month. He is honored for his integrity and straightforward walk through life, and counts his friends by the hundred.

**M**ICHAEL MALONEY, a well-known Catholic pioneer of Bainbridge, Putnam county, Ind., was born in 1825, in parish Doonass, county Clare, Ireland, not far from the city of Limerick, the "unconquerable," on the opposite side of the river Shannon, in Limerick county.

At the early age of six years Michael Maloney lost his father, whose name was also Michael. In June, 1848, the widow, whose maiden name was Ann Buckley, brought her family to America—this family then consisting of herself, five unmarried sons and two unmarried daughters, and the widow and child of her son, Patrick. The family landed in New York city, from which city the sons soon afterward took their departure for the purpose of making homes for

themselves elsewhere, but never neglected in aiding their mother in her declining years.

The mother continued her residence in New York until her decease, at the home of one of her daughters; her other daughter is still single and resides at the port of debarkation of the family in America—the Empire City; James, the eldest son, came to Indiana, where he has been favorably known as a foreman in the construction of railroads; John is living in New York city; Patrick is a retired farmer, living in Chicago, Ill.; Thomas, the youngest of the brothers, learned plastering and located in Chicago in 1850, waxed wealthy, but was never heard from, even by his brother Patrick, who had so long lived near that city, until 1896—forty-six years later—when Michael, the subject of this sketch, received a letter from a young lady, who, it appears, was a daughter of the long-lost brother, who died in Missouri, but had furnished the names to his daughter of his relatives in New York, and through correspondence with them came the letter from the daughter, announcing his sad fate.

Michael Maloney, now one of the most respected residents of Bainbridge, was taught the hatter's trade in New York city, but the business was not conducive to his health. He therefore came west, located in Bainbridge in 1854, and the greater part of the time since has been engaged in railroad work, although he has passed some of the time in other parts of the country, as, for instance, six years in Texas, besides making several trips to New York, on business.

Mr. Maloney has been twice married: First, in the city of New York, to Bridget Shaughnessy, who died in Bainbridge in 1861; his second marriage was to Jane O'Connor, who died in Indiana in 1893. To this first marriage were born four children, viz: Michael, a prominent lumber dealer of Bainbridge; Patrick, a farmer; Kate, wife of Albert Taylor, and Susan, unmarried. To the second marriage were born two children: Susan and Ignatius, both in school in Cincinnati. Mr. Maloney and family are greatly respected as useful and moral citizens and consistent Catholics, ever ready to lend a helping hand toward all good work, whether religious or secular.

JOHN F. MANNING, city license inspector, of Indianapolis, was born in Chicago, Ill., February 4, 1865, a son of James and Elizabeth (Dorsey) Manning, the former a native of the city of Dublin, and the latter of county Wicklow, Ireland; both came to America when young, and were married in the city of New York.

James Manning was for a number of years a dairyman in the city of Brooklyn, N. Y., and later became a dealer in real-estate, and had also served in the Mexican war. Some time prior to 1865 he located in Chicago, Ill., and subsequently came to Indianapolis, Ind., and was actively engaged in business until about four years prior to his death, when he was seized with a peculiar disorder which deprived him of his power of speech, but not of hearing nor consciousness, his death finally taking place December 20, 1895, at the age of eighty-four years; his widow is still a resident of this city and makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. John Trenck, and is, as her husband was, a sincere Catholic. The children born to Mr. and Mrs. Manning were six in number, viz: Katherine, who died in infancy; Mary, wife of William McCullough, a hotel-keeper in Dayton, Ohio; Katherine, now Mrs. Edward Williams, of Indianapolis; Elizabeth, married to John Trenck, also of this city; John F., our subject, and James, who is engaged in business in Indianapolis.

John F. Manning was educated at St. Mary's academy, LaFayette, Ind., and his first business venture was in the grocery trade; for the past nine years he has been connected with the police force of Indianapolis—seven years as a patrolman and two years as license inspector—and to the latter office was re-appointed November 1, 1897. He was married in St. Bridget's church, by Rev. Father Curran, April 24, 1895, to Miss Margaret McDermott, a native of Madison, Ind., and a daughter of Jeremiah and Ella McDermott, natives of Ireland. To Mr. and Mrs. Manning have been born two children, viz: Francis Joseph, born February 17, 1896, and James Anthony, born February 24, 1897, but who was called away July 5, of the same year, sinking under the intense heat of the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Manning are active members of St. Bridget's church, of which Mr. Manning has served as trustee two years, and

to which he liberally contributes from his income and willingly aids in all its work of charity. In politics he has always been an earnest worker in behalf of the democratic party, and has always been a good and useful citizen.

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**J**OHAN M. MANNING, deceased, formerly a well-known Catholic resident of St. Patrick's parish, Indianapolis, was a native of the city of Galway, Ireland, and was born May 27, 1847. He was but two years old when his father died, and when yet a boy he was apprenticed to the trade of tailor, and at the age of seventeen years came to the United States with his mother and her family—the Civil war being then near its close. For a time he worked at his trade in New York city, going thence to Ann Arbor, Mich., to fill the position of cutter in a tailoring establishment there. In 1867 he enlisted in company B, Fifth United States cavalry, was in several engagements with the Indians, and was honorably discharged at the close of his term of five years. At Ann Arbor he was married to Miss Alice J. Corrigan, daughter of John and Mary Corrigan, pioneers of that city and natives of county Monaghan, Ireland, who came to the United States in early life, and who have long since passed away.

Mr. and Mrs. Manning lived in Ann Arbor but two years after their marriage, removing then to the city of Brooklyn, N. Y., which city was their home for five years, when they removed to Kendallville, Ind. Seven years later they settled in Indianapolis, the time of their arrival being in June, 1887. Mr. Manning continued to work at his trade until his death, which occurred December 16, 1896, after an illness of but eighteen days. He was a man of ability, and of good education, and wide reading, but was retired in his habits, preferring the society of his family, when not engaged in business, to public places of amusement or entertainment. In religion he was a devout Catholic, and a member of St. Patrick's branch, No. 563, Catholic Knights of America, and also of the Men's sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary. At his death he left his wife and six children, all sons, as follows: M. Frank,

John, William M., Joseph C., Daniel J. and Thomas Leo. There was also a daughter in the family, who died in infancy. Mrs. Manning and her children reside at their home, No. 825, Greer street, Indianapolis, and are a much respected family.

**M**ICHAEL R. MANSFIELD, a well-known passenger conductor on the St. Louis division of the Big Four railroad, resides with his family at No. 1322 Bellefontaine street, in St. Joseph's parish, Indianapolis. He was born at Salem, Washington county, Ind., June 1, 1856, and is a son of James Mansfield, an early resident of Salem and who assisted in the construction of the old Salem and Albany railroad.

James Mansfield was a native of Kilkenny county, Ireland, and emigrated to the United States when a young man. He was married in St. Patrick's cathedral, New York, to the mother of the subject of this sketch. Having already become a resident of Salem, Ind., at the time of his marriage, he immediately returned to that place, and there they lived for many years, or until 1877, all their children being born at that place. In 1877 they removed to the state of Kansas, where Mr. Mansfield engaged in farming, Mr. Mansfield dying in that state January 20, 1887. Mrs. Mansfield survived her husband a little more than ten years, dying May 22, 1897. They were the parents of six children, five sons and a daughter, all of whom, but the youngest son, are living.

Michael R. Mansfield, the subject of this sketch, spent his early boyhood days in his native village, obtaining such education as the schools of that village afforded. At the age of thirteen he began working for a railroad company, performing such duties as a lad of his age could be entrusted with, and by honest effort and strict attention to duty, has gradually attained his present responsible position, in which he is giving satisfaction to all concerned. For some years his home was at Mattoon, Ill., where he was married to Miss Kate Flynn, daughter of Thomas and Mary Flynn, both natives of Ireland, but early settlers of Mattoon, where they still live. Mrs. Flynn was a widow at the time of her marriage to

Mr. Flynn. Mrs. Mansfield was one of a family of five children, one son and four daughters, three of the daughters still living. Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield are the parents of one daughter and three sons, viz: Jessie M., Russell T. J., Paul Edward and John Roy. Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield are among the most highly respected and most intelligent of the members of St. Joseph's parish, and are among the best people of the community in which they live. They are liberal contributors to the support of the church, and have reared their children to be not only good Catholics, but also good citizens of their state and of the United States.

MARTIN MANDABACH, dealer in groceries and provisions, Washington, Daviess county, Ind., was born in Massillon, Ohio, October 3, 1860, and is a son of Peter and Caroline (Kocher) Mandabach, natives of Germany, who were married in Massillon, and lived there until 1870, when they came to Washington, Ind., and here the father was employed as a miner until 1896, when he became janitor of a public school-house in the city. The father and mother are members of St. Mary's R. C. church, and of the fourteen children born to them seven are still living, viz: Martin, Nicholas, Charles, Jacob, John, Augustus and Laura.

Martin Mandabach attended a parochial school until thirteen years of age, and afterward worked in the mines until 1889, when he opened a saloon, which he conducted until 1894, when he embarked in the grocery and provision trade, carrying a first-class and well-selected stock and doing a profitable business. March 2, 1885, he married, in Washington, Miss Gertrude State, a native of Germany, born February 24, 1861, and a daughter of Jacob and Catherine State. This marriage has resulted in the birth of five children, in the following order: Henry, Theodore, Rosa, Caroline and Carl. The family belong to St. Mary's Catholic church and are held in high respect by their neighbors. In politics Mr. Mandabach is a democrat and is now serving as councilman from the Third ward of Washington. He has always been liberal and public-spirited, has paid close attention to his business interests, and

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has invested his earnings in real estate in both city and country, and is in very comfortable circumstances—the result of his own prudence and honorable conduct through life.

REV. J. A. MARK is a native of Wuerzburg, Bavaria. He was born April 1, 1822. He made his college studies with the Benedictine Fathers in Vienna, his theological course at All Hallows college, in Ireland, and was ordained to the priesthood, August 6, 1855, in Nova Scotia, by Most Rev. Archbishop Walsh. Father Mark served there six years, and then joined the diocese of Alton, Ills., where he remained sixteen years. He came to the diocese of Fort Wayne in 1876 and labored in the missions of Attica and Covington. The Rev. Father was appointed pastor of St. Joseph's church, Hesse Cassel, in 1880, remained until October 16, 1897, and was then transferred to the chaplaincy of St. Joseph's hospital, Logansport, where he now is, doing good and faithful service.

THOMAS J. MARKEY, a representative citizen of Indianapolis, was born in the city of Dublin, Ireland, in 1852, and in 1870 came with his parents and their family of eight children to America, settling in Indianapolis, where the parents passed away the remainder of their lives, dying members of St. Patrick's church, of which Thomas J., their son, has long been a trustee, and also a charter member of Capital council, No. 267, Young Men's institute.

Thomas J. Markey has long been an active member of the democratic party, and for six years served as a member of the city council of Indianapolis. In 1889 he was appointed by Gov. Hovey trustee of the insane asylum of this city, but in 1893 tendered his resignation of this office to the democratic governor, Claude Matthews.

Mr. Markey was united in marriage, September 26, 1878, with Miss Anna Broden, daughter of Patrick and Ellen Broden, pioneer Catholic citizens of this city, but both now deceased. Patrick Broden



was born in Tipperary county, Ireland, came to America in 1848 a single man, and was married in Indianapolis by the pioneer Catholic clergyman, Rev. Father Maloney. Here his six children were born, of whom five are still living, viz: John, Thomas, Mrs. Markey, Augustus and Ellen—Mary being deceased. The biography of James Broden, brother of Patrick, will be found on another page of this work, in which are given further details relating to the Broden family. Mrs. Markey was educated in St. John's parish school, as were her brothers and sisters, and she has blessed her husband with four children, viz: Nellie, a vocalist of superior excellence; Joseph, a law student; Thomas and Charles. Mr. and Mrs. Markey have a pleasant home at No. 1016 High street, and are numbered among the most prominent members of St. Patrick's parish and most respected citizens of Indianapolis.

AMOS WILLIAM MARKLE, deceased, whose family reside at No. 19 Eastern avenue, Indianapolis, was born in Wayne county, Ind., in August, 1835. He was of Lutheran parentage, but later in life adopted the Catholic faith, in which he thereafter lived and died. Growing to manhood in his native county he there married the wife who still survives him, the marriage taking place in 1859. Her maiden name was Margaret Gerrity, a native of county Westmeath, Ireland, a daughter of Thomas and Bridget (Dempsey) Gerrity, who brought her to the United States when she was but thirteen years old. They passed the last years of their lives near Connersville, Ind., and there, together with their eldest daughter, they lie buried.

Amos William Markle, upon the breaking out of the war of the Rebellion, enlisted in the Eighth Indiana volunteer infantry, and later re-enlisted in the Sixty-fourth Indiana volunteer infantry, serving his country faithfully until he was discharged by reason of injuries received in the service, which injuries were of so serious a nature that they ultimately led to his death in 1884, when he was but little more than forty-eight years of age. Mr. Markle was connected with the Catholic church from a time soon after his marriage

up to the time of his death, and was ever faithful to his religious duties, and, as the priest who prepared him for death, said, he was, if any man ever was, prepared to meet his God. He was always as true to his religion as he was to his country during her dark hours, caused by the rebellion against its authority.

Mrs. Markle, his widow, and six children survive him, the children being four sons and two daughters, as follows: Charles Monroe, a boilermaker by trade and a resident of Richmond, Ind.; Francis Louis, a railway or locomotive engineer in the employ of the Panhandle Railway company, and residing with his mother in Indianapolis; Mary, wife of Louis Melle, of Hamilton, Ohio; Theresa, wife of James La Porte, of Indianapolis; Thomas Sylvester and William Henry are both at the maternal home. There were five children that died in infancy. Mrs. Markle and her family removed to Indianapolis in 1895, and are among the most respected citizens of their community.

THOMAS SYLVESTER MARTIN, who resides in retirement on East Washington street, Indianapolis, was born in Preble county, Ohio, March 20, 1854, and is a son of William and Ann (Merritt) Martin, the former a native of county Tipperary and the latter of county Clare, Ireland. They both came to the United States in early life, were married in Troy, N. Y., and removed thence to Preble county, Ohio. Later they removed to Ripley county, Ind., and finally to Indianapolis, Ind., about 1870, where they remained the rest of their lives. They were residents of St. Patrick's parish and members of that church for many years. Mrs. Martin died September 26, 1892, at the age of sixty-seven years, her husband surviving her but a few months, dying January 17, 1893. They were the parents of four children, three sons and a daughter, the latter of whom, Mary, is now Mrs. James B. King, of Chicago. She and Thomas Sylvester, the subject of this sketch, are the only members of the Martin family now known to be living.

Thomas S. Martin was about eight years of age when his par-

ents removed their family to Ripley county, and there he attended school from the time he was eight years old until he was fourteen. When not in school his time was spent in assisting his father with the farm labor, which has been of advantage to him in many ways, especially in giving him bodily strength. When sixteen years of age he began railroading in the capacity of brakeman, his life on the railroad extending over a period of twenty years, the last ten of which he spent in the capacity of a conductor in charge of a passenger train. For six years he filled the position of city salesman for the Van Kamp Packing company, and then he established himself in business as a grocer, from which he has recently retired.

Mr. Martin has been twice married, his first wife having been Miss Eliza Meyers, to whom he was married in 1878, and whose death occurred January 26, 1890. November 9, 1892 he was married to Mrs. Margaret Connelly, daughter of Dennis and Mary (Sullivan) Foley, the former of whom is now deceased, but the latter is a resident of Indianapolis. Mrs. Martin was born in county Kerry, Ireland, and was two years of age when brought to the United States in 1863 by her parents. She attended school at Cumberland, Ind., completing her education at St. Patrick's school in Indianapolis. She first married John William Connelly, who died in 1889. By his first marriage our subject had three children, Nannie Ellen, now at home, and two sons, Maurice and Walter, who died in early life. By his present wife Mr. Martin has no children.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin are faithful members of the parish of the Holy Cross, of which Rev. Father McCabe is the esteemed pastor. They are both excellent people and are highly respected by all that know them.

ALEXANDER A. MARTIN, of Fort Wayne, Ind., is one of eight children born to August J. and Josephine (Rassett) Martin, the father being a native of France and still living.

Alexander A. Martin was born in Allen county, Ind., June 10, 1859, attended the common schools, and at the age of twenty years

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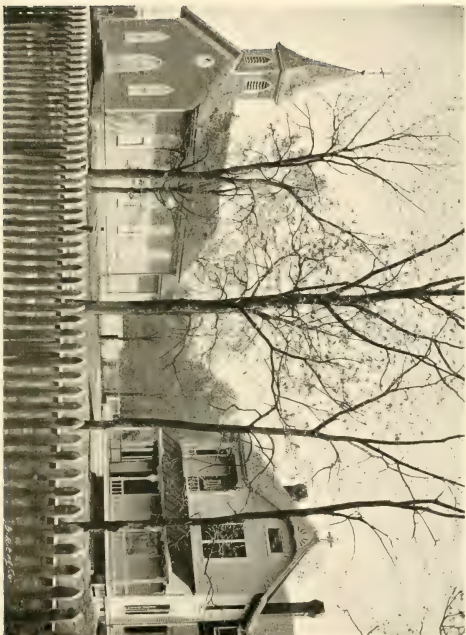
engaged in the grocery business, and continued that until October, 1886, and then opened his present business.

In 1884 he married Jennie Glynn, a daughter of Matthias and Mary J. (Ryan) Glynn. The father, Matthias, was from Ireland, and both he and wife are now deceased. Two children have blessed the union of Mr. and Mrs. Martin, viz: Irene and Mabel. The parents are members of the Cathedral congregation, and Mr. Martin is a member of the Catholic Knights of America, and in politics is a democrat. His business place is very popular, is elegantly fitted up, and the stock and fixtures are valued at \$1,200.

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REV. FATHER JOHN FRANCIS STANTON, pastor of St. Thomas church, Knox county, Ind., was born September 25, 1864, in Richmond, Wayne county, in the same state, and is a son of James and Mary (Stanton) Stanton, who, although bearing the same surname, were not of the same consanguinity. Both, however, were natives of Ireland, and were there married and soon after this event came to America and until 1857 resided in New York city, when they came to Indiana and settled in Richmond, where the father, who was a patternmaker, died September 21, 1871, and where the mother still resides. Of their five children, Ulick R. is foreman of the Richmond City Mill works; Katie and Cecilia live with their mother. John Francis is the subject of this memoir, and James, a machinist, also resides with his mother.

Rev. Father John Francis Stanton acquired his early education under the tutorship of the Sisters of Providence at St. Mary's parochial school in Richmond. At about sixteen years of age he entered the Jesuit college, at St. Mary's, Kans., where he passed one year, and then for three years attended St. Joseph's college, at Bardstown, Ky., from which he graduated in June, 1884. His theological and philosophical course was pursued at St. Surplice, Baltimore, Md., and his ordination in the ministry, by Bishop Chatard, took place November 1, 1889, at St. John's church, Indianapolis, Ind. He read his first mass on the 3d day of November following at St. Mary's church, Richmond, and November 11, of the same



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year, entered the Catholic university of America, at Washington, D. C., where he completed a post-graduate course in June, 1890. In July, 1890, he entered upon his ministerial duties as assistant pastor of the Holy Trinity church, at New Albany, Ind., where he officiated four years, and was then transferred to St. Patrick's church, Terre Haute, where for four months he officiated in the same capacity, when, on the recommendation of Rev. Father Schnell, of Terre Haute, he was appointed to the pastorate of St. Thomas parish, his present charge.

On assuming the important and somewhat onerous duties connected with the congregation of St. Thomas, Father Stanton found the parish to be sadly in need of his services and oversight, not so much, perhaps, in a spiritual as in a temporal sense, although he found ample scope for the exercise of his energies in both the cure of souls and securing accessories for divine worship. The church edifice was devoid of furnishings, neither did there exist a pastoral residence, and seemingly the needs of the parish had been neglected in almost every particular. During the short period of two and a half years he has labored hard with his parishioners, and aroused a patriotic and loyal recognition of their duties to the holy faith, and has secured the means with which to erect a pastoral residence, at a cost of about \$4,000, and to furnish it handsomely throughout.

The parish of St. Thomas comprises 135 families, who principally represent the rural or agricultural population, and in nationality are composed of French, German, and a few Irish-born people, and some creoles—that is, persons natives of the country, born of foreign parents. Beside St. Thomas, Father Stanton has charge of St. Rose congregation, two miles distant, which was established about sixty years ago and which now comprises about thirty families, for whom mass is read and other ministerial services rendered once each month, while the services at St. Thomas are regular and constant. Father Stanton is a cultivated and refined gentleman, and very genial in his intercourse with both parishioners and strangers. Beside erecting the beautiful parochial home before alluded to, which was designed wholly by himself, he has also had constructed, principally by volunteer labor, a con-

venient gallery in the church-edifice, where formerly was useless space. This, beside beautifying the interior of the church, also adds a seating capacity for fifty persons. He has also recently had built a handsome and substantial fence, inclosing several acres of the church property, which includes forty acres of timber land, which has yielded profitably in the various building processes. Having to deal, however, largely with a class of people who are averse to improvements, and seem to think anything is good enough for the church, he has been compelled to assume an aggressive attitude, and in no instance has he come off "second best."

Recently, on the construction of a telephone line just from the church and residence, the workmen maliciously cut a tree and were somewhat insolent when spoken to concerning this breach of faith, as only permission had been given to properly trim the trees. Father Stanton secured the necessary legal aid, and collected \$50 from the company. This only evidences his characteristic of aggressiveness when the rights of others are ignored. He is a faithful friend and wise counselor, but stands ready at all times to prove that "the way of the transgressor is hard." He is hospitable in his home, and entertains with an open hand. Though this feature is self-evident to the visitor, he is frugal and economical in his care of the public property over which he is the loyal steward. A young man, yet on the threshold of life, he bids fair to wield a powerful influence for good in the church of his fathers.

EDWARD W. MATHEWS, hardware merchant, formerly a practical blacksmith at Montgomery, Ind., is a native of Daviess county, was born April 4, 1845, and is the fifth of the seven children that constituted the family of Michael and Ellen (Owens) Mathews.

Michael Mathews, a native of county Longford, Ireland, was reared a farmer, came to the United States about 1825, and first located in Baltimore, Md. About 1835 he came to Indiana, lived in Madison until 1838, when he settled in Daviess county, where he passed the remainder of his life. His wife was a native of Virginia, and also died in Daviess county, Ind.



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Edward W. Mathews lived on the home farm until sixteen years old, when he engaged in blacksmithing, a trade he followed for twenty years. He began business on his own account with a cash capital of \$5, and first started in Loogootee, but soon afterward came to Montgomery, leased a lot, and hauled lumber from Ragsville, with which he erected a little shop, hired a good helper and prospered. In 1878 he began dealing in grain, and still continues to handle that commodity. In 1886 he embarked in the hardware and agricultural implement trade, and his enterprise, fair dealing and attention to business have met their just reward, the volume of his trade now reaching \$30,000 per annum.

Mr. Mathews was first married July 3, 1866, by Father Gueguen, of Loogootee, to Miss Margaret Reilly, the result being nine children, of whom six, however, are deceased. The survivors are Francis M., the eldest, who was confirmed by Bishop Chatard, is married, and has been engaged in the hardware trade; Mary, who was confirmed by the same bishop, makes her home with her father, and Leo, who was also confirmed by Bishop Chatard, is a dealer in live stock. Mrs. Mathews passed away in the faith of the Catholic church December 18, 1882, and Mr. Mathews took for his second wife Miss Elizabeth Feagan, a native of Daviess county, whom he married April 13, 1885. This union has been blessed with five children, of whom three are still living and are attending St. Peter's church parochial school.

In politics Mr. Mathews is a democrat, cast his first presidential vote for Horatio Seymour and his last for William J. Bryan. He has himself served as township trustee for six years, and given entire satisfaction to the people. He is a leading member of St. Peter's congregation and freely contributes to the support of the church, of which his family are all members, and his business career shows him to be one of the most sagacious managers in the county, the original capital of \$5, with which he began, having developed into 320 acres of land in Barr, Bogard and Van Buren townships, Daviess county, his place of business and twelve residences in Montgomery, a business block and flats on the corner of Lake and Ada streets, Chicago, Ill., and a residence property in Loogootee. Comment is unnecessary.

REV. JOSEPH P. MATTHEWS, pastor of St. Michael's church, Daviess county, with his post-office at Trainor, Ind., is a native of this county, was born October 30, 1859, and is a son of Michael and Eleanor (Owens) Matthews, of whom further mention is made in the biographical notice of E. W. Matthews, a brother of the reverend gentleman whose name heads this sketch.

Rev. J. P. Matthews, at the age of fourteen years, was confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais. He was educated primarily in the common schools, and later attended the school of the Sisters of Providence at Loogootee. In 1876 he entered St. Meinrad's college, in Spencer county, where he remained two years, and in 1878 began a classical course of study at St. Joseph's college, which ended at the close of three years. In 1881 he entered Preston Park seminary, Wayne county, Pa., where he completed his theological studies in 1884, and, June 10th of that year, was ordained priest by Bishop McCloskey, of New York. His first appointment was as assistant to Rev. D. O'Donaghue, of St. Patrick's church, Indianapolis, but eighteen months later was transferred to the Church of the Holy Trinity, at New Albany, as assistant to Rev. John B. Kelly, and, in 1887, was placed in charge of his present parish of St. Michael, with the mission of St. Joseph, in Martin county, ten miles distant. When he assumed his duties at St. Michael's, the congregation comprised thirty or forty families, while that of St. Joseph's was constituted of eighty families. With these two charges, Father Matthews labored arduously for seven long years, when he relinquished his charge of St. Joseph's and has since devoted his entire attention to his duties at St. Michael's.

Prior to the coming of Father Matthews to St. Michael's, services had been held by the venerable Father Piers in the homes of the leading members of the congregation. Although the erection of a church edifice had been discussed, the project had been discouraged by both Father Piers and the bishop; but Father Matthews, aided by Nicholas Ryan, John Daily, Thomas Wade and other determined and ardent members of the congregation, succeeded in raising funds sufficient to pay for the erection of the present frame church-building at a cost of \$3,500, and this was

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dedicated by Bishop Chatard in 1888. A year or two later a parsonage was erected at a cost of \$1,600, and of the total, \$5,100, not one cent is now unpaid. The present congregation numbers about sixty families, or 300 souls, and is in a most flourishing condition. Father Matthews has been untiring in his labors for both the spiritual and temporal welfare of his flock and in promoting the growth and prosperity of the Catholic church, and well deserves the love so freely bestowed upon him by his devoted congregation.

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REV. C. MAUJAY, pastor of the church of the Immaculate Conception at Portland, Jay county, Ind., is a native of France, was born June 14, 1848, and is a son of John B. and Jane (Brohn) Maujay, both of whom are now deceased.

Father Maujay received his preliminary education in a parochial school, which he attended until fourteen years of age. Being thus properly prepared, he entered the seminary of Angers, where he continued his studies until twenty-one years old, and then entered a seminary at Paris, where he passed through the philosophical course and also began and finished his theological education. As a deacon he came to the United States in 1871, and at Wheeling, W. Va., was ordained priest by the Right Rev. Richard Vincent Whelan, D. D., the first bishop of the diocese of Wheeling. After a year passed in Wheeling, Father Maujay came to Indiana and was first stationed at LaFayette, Tippecanoe county, as assistant at St. Mary's church; later he officiated at Fowler, in Benton county, and finally was assigned to his present pastorate at Portland, where his duties have since been performed with great credit to himself and to the glorification of the church, as will be evidenced by perusing the brief historical record of the church, to be found in Volume I of this work.

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REV. J. F. MATTINGLY, pastor of St. Augustine's church at Leopold, Perry county, Ind., is a native of Muskingum county, Ohio, and was born July 28, 1863.

Rev. J. F. Mattingly at the age of seventeen, or in the fall of 1880, entered St. Vincent's Benedictine college at Latrobe, Pa., took the full classical and philosophical course of study, and graduated in June, 1887. He next entered Mount St. Mary's of the West, at Cincinnati, Ohio, in the fall of 1887, for the full theological course, and was ordained by Archbishop Elder, D. D., June 13, 1890. For some time after his ordination his work was on missions and his first permanent appointment was at Richmond, Ind., in the fall of 1890, in St. Mary's parish, as assistant to Rev. D. J. McMullen.

He was assigned to St. Augustine church, Leopold, Ind., July 24, 1896. The parish has about 219 families, with about 1,100 souls. The church was erected many years ago of stone, but the present valuation of the parish property, \$800, is placed at rather a low figure, as will be seen by a reference to the history of the church in Vol. I of this work.

The most important feature of his administration will be the establishment of a school for the religious, moral and intellectual training of pupils, who will be under charge of the Bishop and his priests.

**F**REDERICK MAUNTEL, livery and feed stable proprietor and undertaker of Aurora, Ind., is a son of Eberhardt and Mary (Boesenkamp) Mauntel, who came from Germany to America in January, 1853, and landed in New Orleans, La. The father was a farmer, and died in Cincinnati six months after he arrived in America.

Frederick Mauntel was born in Germany February 19, 1852. He attended the common schools, and at the age of fourteen years he began farming. He was confined in Cincinnati, April 23, 1865, by Bishop Purcell, continued farming until 1873, and then took charge of River View cemetery, and remained in charge until the 1st of January, 1882. He then embarked in the furniture and undertaking business January 17, but later gave up the furniture trade and opened a livery instead, and has continued in that business since. In 1885, he was elected city treasurer of

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Aurora, and served four years, or two terms. He was treasurer of the St. Mary's church at the same time for two years during Bro. J. J. Schoentrup's pastorate. In November, 1896, he was elected coroner of Dearborn county, and is still in that position.

His livery and undertaking stock is valued at \$5,000, and he does a large business in both branches. He is married to Miss Louisa Wellman, a daughter of Bernard Wellman, from Germany. They have had ten children born to them, viz: Mary A. (who died an infant a few days old), Frederick C., Anna F., Louis F., Frank, Louisa, John, Willie, Aloysius and Agnes E., and all of St. Mary's church, Aurora. Frederick C. is married to Amelia E. Schroder, daughter of E. Schroder, of Aurora, and they have one child, Amelia M. F., who was christened under Rev. Mackey on May 30, 1897. Frederick A. Mauntel is a member of St. George and St. Joseph Benevolent societies.

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EDWARD D. MAZELIN, a well-known carpenter and contractor, of No. 645 Blake street, Indianapolis, was born in Wayne township, Marion county, Ind., September 23, 1846, his parents, John Baptiste and Margaret (Reigne) Mazelin, being natives of Lorraine, France, where they were married, and where the eldest two of their children were born.

John B. Mazelin came to America July 4, 1845, bringing his wife and two children, and purchased the farm in Wayne township alluded to above, and on that farm he was bereaved of his wife about the year 1854. Mr. Mazelin next married Miss Frances Beafea, also a native of France. To the first marriage were born three children, viz: Margaret, now Mrs. Royer, of Hancock county, Ind.; Mary Victoria, of Indianapolis, and Edward D., our subject. In 1873 Mr. Mazelin brought his family to Indianapolis, and here his second wife passed away in 1882, and his own death occurred here December 26, 1890, the husband and the two wives being all three devout members of the Catholic church.

Edward D. Mazelin, who was a lad of but eight years when his mother was called away, spent his childhood days on his father's

farm and also served an apprenticeship at the carpenter's trade, following the trade while still living on the farm, and giving it his exclusive attention after the family came to Indianapolis. He remained under the parental roof until his father's death, even after he became a married man. The ceremony that changed Mr. Mazelin from a single man to a Benedict was performed by a Methodist minister in Greenfield, Hancock county, the bride being Miss Nona Hindren, and the marriage taking place August 23, 1882. Mrs. Mazelin is a native of Blue River township, Hancock county, Ind., and is of Irish and German extraction, although in a remote degree. The children that have blessed the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Mazelin numbered three, viz: Irene, who died in early infancy; Walter E., who was born in January, 1885, and Johnny, who died in his fifth year.

The parents of Mrs. Mazelin are Jeremiah and Sarah (Gates) Hindren, both natives of Rush county, Ind., born, respectively, in 1831 and 1829. For forty years Mr. Hindren was engaged in agricultural pursuits in Hancock county, but is now living on the well-earned competency secured through his early industry. The children born to Mr. and Mrs. Hindren, beside Mrs. Mazelin, were Vina, wife of George Bixler, of Greenfield; Mrs. Eugene Royer, of the same place; William J., of Madison county; Charles and Johnny, who died in childhood, of diphtheria, and Arabel, who was scalded to death.

Mr. and Mrs. Mazelin are respected members of St. Bridget's church, and in politics Mr. Mazelin is a democrat. He is not a member of any of the church sodalities, but is a liberal contributor to the support of the church, and is highly respected, not only in his parish, but throughout the city and county, where he is widely known.

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**H**ENRY MEER, ex-county treasurer and ex-sheriff of Shelby county, and a prominent business man of Shelbyville, Ind., is a son of Bernard H. and Euphemia (Wessling) Meer, and was born in Elbergen parish, Hanover, Germany, April 1, 1847.

Bernard H. Meer was a farmer and blacksmith in the old

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country, and in 1858 came to the United States, bringing his family and settled in Oldenburg, Ind., where he engaged in farming until his death, in the faith of the Catholic church, March 1, 1873—his widow being still a resident on the old place. Their children were six in number and were named as follows: Henry, the subject; Elizabeth, deceased; Louis, of Hamburg, Franklin county; Bernard, of Oldenburg; Elizabeth, twin of Bernard and wife of Christopher Scherer, of Ripley county, Ind., and one who died in early infancy.

Henry Meer was but eleven years of age when brought to Indiana by his parents. He was educated primarily in the parochial school of Oldenburg, where he also received his first communion, lived with his father until fifteen years old, and then was apprenticed to the shoemaker's trade for the period of three years, and afterward followed the trade until 1880, when he embarked in the general merchandise and grain business at Prescott, which he followed until 1885, in the meantime acting as express agent and filling the offices of postmaster and justice of the peace. In the year last named he came to Shelbyville, in the capacity of express agent, and in the fall was elected on the democratic ticket sheriff of the county by the large majority of 700. After filling out his term of two years, he in 1889 engaged in the shoe trade, which he carried on three years, and in 1892 was triumphantly elected county treasurer, which office he filled to the entire satisfaction of his constituents until the close of the term—two years later—when he bought an extensive mill in Shelbyville, in partnership with his eldest son, John H. Meer, in which was done every class of planing, sash, blind and door work, with an output of \$15,000 per annum, until he sold out in September, 1897.

The marriage of Mr. Meer was solemnized in Shelby county, November 17, 1868, to Miss Rebecca J. Newton, a native of the county, born January 28, 1849, and to this happy union have been born twelve children, viz: John H., already mentioned as his father's partner in the milling business; William T., deceased; Annie E.; Charles, deceased; Dora B., deceased; George L.; Clarence O., deceased; Arthur F., Frederick K., Mary A., Rosa E., and Aldrich. This family are all members of St. Joseph's

church, to which Mr. Meer has been a trustee for over four years, and is now the treasurer. Mrs. Meer is a member of the Altar society of St. Joseph's and also of the Sacred Heart league. The Meer family are highly respected socially, and Shelby county owes much of its prosperity to the enterprise and industry of just such citizens as Henry Meer.

**J**OHN MEIBER, one of the pioneer Catholics of Adams county, and for fifty-seven years an honored resident of Decatur, was born in the kingdom of Hanover, Germany, on the 6th day of January, 1822. His father, John Meiber, also a native of Hanover, was born in the year 1800 and was reared a farmer, which calling he followed in the old country until immigrating to the United States, in 1845. He married in Germany, in 1820, Kerstine Brake, and by her had seven children, four of whom are living at the present time: Mary, wife of George Smith, of Decatur; Nicholas, Barney, and John, the subject of this biography.

John Meiber, the father, came direct west from New York, where he landed, to Toledo, Ohio, whence, after a brief residence, he came to Decatur, Ind., near which city he purchased a farm and followed the pursuit of agriculture until his death in 1867. His wife survived him twenty years, dying in 1887; the remains of this devoted couple are resting side by side in St. Mary's cemetery, Decatur.

During the first fourteen years of his life, the subject of this sketch remained under the parental roof, attending, in the meantime, the parochial schools of his native town, and at the age of seventeen began life for himself as a tiller of the soil. About that time he decided to try his fortunes in the new world; accordingly, in 1839, he set sail, and, after a somewhat lengthy voyage, landed at Philadelphia. From that city he proceeded at once to Cincinnati, Ohio, thence, after a brief residence, went to St. Mary's, in the same state, where he made his home for a period of two years. In 1841 he came to Decatur, Ind., in which city, as already stated, he has resided for over half a century, having seen the place grow



from a small hamlet to its present proud place among its sister cities of Indiana.

In his youth Mr. Meiber learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed in Decatur for over twelve years. His next venture was in the mercantile business, which he followed from 1854 until 1857 as a grocer, and for some time after the latter year was engaged in the hardware trade in Decatur. In 1868 Mr. Meiber was elected treasurer of Adams county, in which position he served from 1869 to 1873, two terms, after which he again embarked in merchandizing, continuing in the hardware business until about the year 1877, where he disposed of his stock and retired from the active duties of life.

The first marriage of Mr. Meiber was solemnized at Fort Wayne, Ind., in 1843, with Miss Catherine Heideman, the ceremony being performed by Father Rudolph according to the beautiful service of the holy Catholic church. Four children blessed this union, viz: Elizabeth, who lives in the city of Toledo; Mary, wife of Henry Voglewede, of Decatur; Henry, of Chicago, and Kerstine, deceased. Mrs. Meiber departed this life in the year 1854, and on the 17th day of February, 1859, Mr. Meiber was united in marriage with Margaret Smith, Father Meyers, pastor of St. Mary's church, officiating. The following are the names of the children born of the second marriage: Etta, wife of Joseph Tonelie; Charles, John, Michael, Rosa and Anna, the latter of whom married D. Drappleman.

Previous to Mr. Meiber's arrival in Decatur, there were but two Catholic families in the place—the Closses and Fettichs—and at the time the only Catholics in the county outside the town were the Spoolers or Spillers, Holthouses, Smiths, Heidemans, Millers, Coffees and Schrodgers. The first mass Mr. Meiber attended was celebrated in the dwelling of Mr. Fettich, in 1841, on Second street, by Father Rudolph. There being no resident priest in Decatur in those days and no regular place of meeting, the old court house was engaged for the purpose and worship was held there and in private residences from time to time by priests sent from neighboring cities. In 1842 a movement was inaugurated to erect a house of worship, and after considerable agitation the

building was commenced in 1843, and in due time completed. It was a small structure, 30x40 feet, to which additions were made from time to time as circumstances would warrant. Mr. Meiber was one of the prime movers in this noble undertaking, and to him, as much, if not more, than to any other man, is due the credit of placing the church in Decatur upon its present substantial and prosperous basis. He has been a member of St. Mary's church ever since its organization, being the oldest communicant of the parish now living.

JOHN H. MEER was born in Addison township, Shelby county, Ind., October 10, 1869, a son of Henry and Rebecca J. Meer, of whom full mention is made on a previous page.

John H. Meer attended the parochial school until thirteen years of age, and the public school until fifteen, and then entered an express office as an assistant to his father. His father having now been elected to the sheriffalty, he was appointed a deputy, and served in the sheriff's office two years. He next clerked in a clothing house for a year, and then became bookkeeper in the lumber yard of D'Heur & Swain, which position he held until January 1, 1895, when, in company with his father, he bought the plant, comprising a planing mill, lumber yard, sash, door and blind factory, etc., and, as co-equal partners, they carried on the business under the firm name of Henry Meer & Son, until August 1, 1897, when the firm was succeeded by P. J. D'Heur.

February 5, 1896, John H. Meer was united in matrimony with Miss Jessie Carter, who was born in Shelbyville December 10, 1871, a daughter of W. L. and Emma Carter, and this union has resulted in the birth of one child—Mildred, now deceased. Mr. Meer is a member of St. Joseph's church, and is also a Knight of St. John, in which order he has served as captain, and is now colonel of the Fourth district of Indiana. He has always been a bright and progressive young business man and as such his name stands without a blemish. He owns a fine residence at No. 275 West Broadway, and he and wife are highly esteemed in the society circles of the city. In politics he is a stanch democrat.

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**REV. ANTHONY MESSMANN**, pastor of St. Joseph's parish, Laporte, Ind., is a native of Germany, and was born December 11, 1839, a son of F. H. Messmann.

Young Anthony received his preliminary education for the priesthood in Cincinnati, Ohio, studying under the Fathers of the Society of Jesus four years; he then entered the university at Notre Dame, Ind., where he remained one year, after which he passed three years in Mount St. Mary seminary, at Cincinnati. January 6, 1870, he was ordained priest by Bishop Luers, for the diocese of Fort Wayne, and for a short time thereafter served as assistant priest at Logansport, and next officiated for eleven years as pastor of St. Joseph's church at Kentland, Newton county, Ind. He was then, December 16, 1880, transferred to St. Peter's parish, Fort Wayne, where his assiduity was rewarded by seeing completed the church-edifice, which he himself originated and consummated through his untiring and faithful devotion to the cause of Catholicity and the well-being of his parishioners. In 1896, he was placed in his present charge, and here has since fully manifested his zeal in the same cause.

**JOHN F. MEIGHAN**, assistant city engineer of South Bend, Ind., was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, July 25, 1847, a son of Patrick and Margaret (Hagerty) Meighan. The father was a native of Ireland, was born in 1803, and in 1829 came to the United States, locating in Lancaster, Pa.; he was a contractor, and was employed on all kinds of public works, realizing a competence. His marriage took place in 1842, and his death occurred at Newtonville, Ohio, in 1883, in the faith of the true church.

John F. Meighan received his elementary education in private schools, and when sufficiently well prepared entered college at Lebanon, Ohio, taking a scientific course. In 1871 he commenced the practice of civil engineering at Logansport, Ind., and made that city his home for twelve years, being engaged in railroad and other branches of civil engineering in Indiana and other states. For six years, also, he was county surveyor of Carroll county, Ind., having been elected as a democrat and serving three terms. Dur-

ing President Cleveland's first administration he was appointed United States deputy surveyor of public lands in New Mexico, by Hon. Geo. W. Julian, then surveyor-general of that territory, with headquarters at Santa Fé. In 1888 he returned to this state, and has ever since made his home in South Bend. Since coming here he has added new laurels to his already well-established reputation as a civil engineer, and for three years filled the position of hydraulic engineer for the South Bend Manufacturing company, perfecting a system of measurements regulating and controlling the discharge of water through the many turbine water wheels in use on that noted water power.

The marriage of Mr. Meighan was solemnized in Logansport, in 1879, with Miss Anna Carroll, Rev. Father Walters performing the ceremony. This union has been blessed with three sons, who have been, or are being, reared in the true faith, and the family all are members of St. Patrick's congregation, and are highly respected wherever known. Mr. Meighan has won for himself a proud position as a civil engineer, and his social position is equally elevated with his professional.

REV. AEGIDIUS J. MERZ, late pastor of St. John's German Catholic church, of Vincennes, of which he had held the pastorate since 1863, was suddenly called from earth on the morning of Saturday, March 27, 1897, through a stroke of paralysis of the heart. He was born in Fulda, Germany, a city well known in church history, on September 30, 1832, and was therefore sixty-five years of age at the time of his death.

He received a first-class education, and graduated in the leading schools of his native country. For a few years he filled appointments as teacher, given him by the government; he also filled the position of instructor in the wealthiest families. Becoming tired of government tyranny and meanness and miserable drudging generally, and wishing to carry out the dream of his youth—to be a priest—he emigrated to America, arriving in New York, August 21, 1857. After a short stay in Brooklyn, he came to St.

James, Gibson county, Ind., where he successfully taught school until July, 1858.

Bishop de St. Palais received him into his seminary, where he spent two years and three months preparing for the ministry. He was ordained as follows by Bishop de St. Palais at Vincennes: Tonsure and minor orders, January 2; subdeacon, October 14; deacon, October 18, and priest on October 21, 1860.

Immediately after his ordination he was appointed pastor of St. Mary's church, Richmond, Ind., and had charge also of Centreville, Washington and Hagerstown, in Wayne county, and New Castle and Middletown, in Henry county. He remained there until September, 1863, when he was transferred to Vincennes.

When Rev. Merz took charge of this parish the congregation was small, but by his untiring labors and earnest devotion to the cause of Christianity, he built it up until it became one of the largest in the diocese. The congregation now numbers almost 400 families. The grounds, church, parsonage, schools and adjuncts make this the most attractive church property in the diocese, and all this is due almost wholly to the untiring efforts of the distinguished dead prelate.

The funeral took place Tuesday and was largely attended by friends of the distinguished dead, as well as members of the church. It was one of the largest funerals that has ever occurred in the county, and many notable personages from a distance were present to pay a farewell tribute to the dead priest.

The church had been draped in deep mourning, exterior and interior, and the body had been removed from the parochial residence to the church, where it was viewed by hundreds.

At 9:30 the services were begun by chanting of the miserere by the clergy. At 10 o'clock requiem high mass was solemnized by Rt. Rev. Francis Silas Chatard, bishop of Vincennes diocese, assisted by Mgr. Bessonies, Revs. Kaelin and Stricker, deacons, and Barron and Boersig, sub-deacons.

The funeral sermon was then conducted in German by Rev. Frances, of Indianapolis, which was followed by Rt. Rev. Bishop Chatard, in a short but an eloquent address in English on the many virtues of the distinguished dead.

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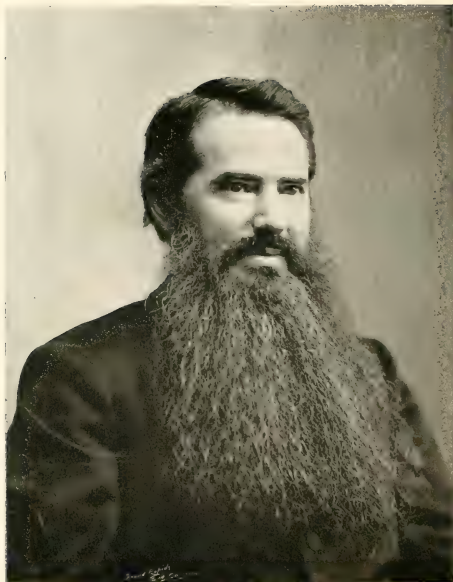
At 11:30 o'clock the march to the cemetery was taken up and was composed as follows: School-boys, school-girls, Young Ladies' sodality, City band, Teutonic club, Y. M. I., U. R. C. K. of A., altar boys, hearse, carriage with clergy, St. John's Benevolent society, branches 256 and 533, C. K. of A., St. Annis Ladies' society and citizens.

When the cemetery was reached brief services were conducted by Rev. Unterreitmeiere, when all that was mortal of Rev. Merz was consigned to the tomb to await the resurrection morn.

The following named clergymen attended the funeral: Rt. Rev. Francis Silas Chatard, bishop of Vincennes diocese, Indianapolis; Rev. Father Scheideler, vicar-general, Indianapolis; Rev. Fathers Stricker, New Albany; Kaelin, Shelbyville; Boersig, Yorkville; McLaughlin, Greencastle; Stanton, St. Thomas; Steigewald, Highland Orphan asylum; Bergman, St. Francisville; Widdering, North Vernon; Dannenhafer, Prescott; McCabe Olerding, Indianapolis; Rhoads, Montgomery; Doyle and Torbeck, Washington; Snell, Terre Haute; Dickman, Fitzpatrick, Burkhart, McBarron and Diestal, Evansville; Benno, St. Meinrad, and Seibert, of Richmond.

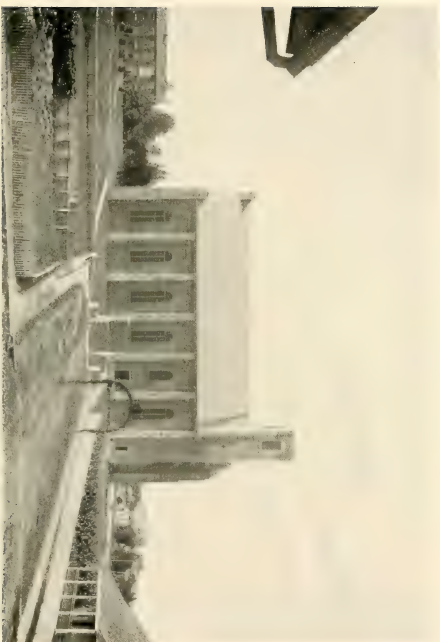
REV. STEPHEN STENGER, pastor of St. Joseph's church, at Jasper, Dubois county, Ind., is a son of John C. and Cuni-gundis (Knecht) Stenger, was born June 20, 1854, in St. Leon, Dearborn county, Ind., and reared in the same place. He attended St. Meinrad's college, was ordained February 8, 1880, and was stationed in Arkansas for six months. In 1882-3, he was assistant priest at Ferdinand, Ind., and from there he went to Belleville, Ill., where he remained until 1887. He then located at Brookville, Ind., to replace F. M. Fleischmann during the absence of the latter in Europe. He was then appointed to collect in Ohio, and remained there from September, 1887, to April, 1888; he next had charge of St. Stephen's mission, S. Dak., and remained until 1889. He then returned to St. Meinrad and had charge of the congregation there until January, 1896, when he came to Jasper to relieve Father Fidelis Maute, who was then ill, and died

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the 22nd of June, 1897. Father Stenger has a congregation of 650 families, and his school, numbering over 250 attendants, is taught by eight Sisters of Providence, besides two male teachers for the larger boys (eighty pupils). There are eight district schools in the vicinity of the town of Jasper, with a large attendance; these schools have Catholic teachers, and the children belong to the St. Joseph's congregation at Jasper, Ind.

Rev. Father Stenger has ever been zealous and active in the performance of his holy office wherever it has been his lot to officiate, and in Jasper has made many warm friends within and without the pale of the church.

JOHN T. MELCHIOR, merchant, was born March 25, 1858, in Jasper, Dubois county, Ind., of which place he is still a resident. The village of Jasper was then small, there being but three dwellings north of Eleventh street, one east of Mill street and four west of Clay street.

School facilities were not very good, there being but four rooms. The parochial school for boys was then taught by August Mayer, who was also the organist of St. Joseph's church, and a kindly though irritable man, a good teacher and musician. The school was taught in a brick building about 24 x 36, and into this were crowded from sixty to eighty boys of all grades and all ages. In 1870 he made his first communion, and the next year was confirmed on the day of the laying of the corner-stone of the new St. Joseph's church. The following year, at the age thirteen, he entered the general store of Kuebler & Bretz as clerk, and remained with them five years. In 1876 he took up teaching and for eight years taught in the district schools of Bainbridge township, Dubois county. During several summers he served as clerk in I. Kahn's and also in S. Kuebler's general store. In 1883 he served as deputy assessor and in 1884 was elected assessor of Bainbridge township for the unexpired term of two years, occasioned by the death of his father, who had held the position for nineteen years. In 1886 he engaged in business for himself, opening a small gro-

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cery store on Newton and Eleventh streets. By the gradual addition of a stock of dry goods, notions and shoes, the business was much enlarged. The store-building being old and inadequate, the lot adjoining in the rear was bought by him, and in 1896 he erected a neat and substantial two-story brick store-room, 24 x 64 feet, fronting on Main street, where he is doing an increased business. Promptitude, honesty and stability are the corner-stones on which his business has been built up. In 1892 he was elected member of the school board, and served three years, declining a re-election. In January, 1897, he was elected president of the Y. M. I.

November 22, 1881, Mr. Melchior was married to Catherine Jochim, daughter of Daniel Jochim and wife Christina, the widow of Christian Dupps, and whose maiden name was Ruschman. Mrs. Melchior was born near Jasper, August 8, 1862. After the death of her father she and her mother made their home with John Gramelspacher, husband of Frances Dupps, who is the daughter of Mrs. Jochim by a former marriage. Under the solicitous care of her mother and the kind guidance of her sister, Mrs. Gramelspacher, she acquired those womanly graces so necessary to a happy home. This union has been blessed with three children: Robert, born October 15, 1882; Edward, born September 20, 1887, and Hugo, born May 2, 1890. All three are at present attending the parochial schools.

Peter Melchior, great-grandfather of John T., was born November 2, 1752, at Grossblittersdorf, Lorraine, Germany, and died there, November 4, 1822. He was married January 18, 1774, to Barbara Schilz, who was born in the same town July 13, 1753, died January 20, 1841. They were the parents of Nicholas, born August 8, 1789. He was a soldier in the Russian campaign of 1812. He emigrated with his family in 1844, coming to Jasper, Ind. He was married, November 26, 1811, to Margaretha Karmann. She was the daughter of Peter Karmann and Katharina Becker, was born February 10, 1794, and died May 31, 1883, at Wapakoneta, Ohio. They had the following children: Peter, born December 12, 1814, died December 3, 1864, at Canton, Ohio; Marie Anna, born January 10, 1817; Catherine, born July 21, 1818; John B.; Margaretha, Sister Felicite, born

December 29, 1827, died May 7, 1889. She joined the Sisters of Providence at St. Mary's in September, 1847, and was noted for her great piety and many accomplishments. She lies buried in the Sisters' cemetery at St. Mary's. Magdalena, born March 19, 1830, was married to Miles Schuler, and died October 29, 1851; Rev. Nicholas Melchior, Jr., born August 7, 1832, died in 1860, and Theresia, born November 27, 1834, was married to Leopold Jacobs, and with her family resides at Wapakoneta, Ohio. The father of this family died in Jasper in 1865, and his remains lie interred in St. Joseph's cemetery.

John B. Melchior, father of J. T. Melchior, was born in Germany, June 8, 1823. After coming to America, in 1839, he learned the trade of cooper, at which he was a master workman. On August 9, 1861, he left with company K, Twenty-seventh Indiana volunteers, and fought in the campaign in Virginia. He participated in the battles of Winchester and several others, and exactly one year later, in the battle of Cedar Mountain, was seriously wounded, being crippled for life. In 1864 he was elected township assessor of Bainbridge township, Dubois county, which position he held until the time of his death, which took place July 13, 1883. He was an intelligent man and very popular with the old settlers. On August 30, 1849, he married Miss Anna Schuler, of Jasper. Their children surviving are Margaret, born July 20, 1850, who is one of the most successful teachers in the county. She was married to Mathew Gutsell, and they have two sons, Edward, a machinist, and Andrew, a teacher in the public schools of Jasper. Melchior Nicholas, born January 29, 1852, has been in the brick business for many years; he married Elizabeth Mott, and they have one son, Harry, who is a clerk in his uncle's store. Theresia Mary, born August 27, 1853, was married to D. F. J. Miller, a machinist. Julia, born February 15, 1855, was for many years a popular teacher in this county, and is now living with her husband, Josiah Whitehead, at Portland, Ore. Henry, born March 27, 1856, was married to Catherine Wuetscher, has followed various vocations, and is now the overseer of the county poor farm. John T. is the subject of this sketch. Samuel, born February 8, 1866, married Theresia Horn, is a cabinetmaker by trade, and resides near Port-

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land, Ore. Alice, born March 8, 1868, also was a successful teacher until married to William J. Lampert; her husband is in business with his father in the wagon works and implement business. William, born November 6, 1870, has served as clerk in various establishments and for several years past has been engaged in teaching.

Bartholomew Schuler, maternal grandfather of John T. Melchior, was born in Bohemia, Austria, in 1776. He served seven years in the Austrian army, and went to Switzerland about 1800. He emigrated to the United States in 1816, landing in Philadelphia, and the same year was married there to Rosina Schaller, who was a native of Switzerland. They later removed to Venango county, and from there to Loretto, Pa. In 1826 they came west, settling near Fayetteville, Brown county, Ohio. In 1836 Mr. Schuler, in company with Joseph Bareck (Birk) and Stephen Bauerntisch, went to the land office at Vincennes, and on August 8th entered land near Jasper. They were the first German Catholics to visit Jasper. They were followed by Joseph Gramelspacher, father of ex-Auditor John Gramelspacher, M. Burkhart and Pantaleon Berger, who entered land in September and October, of the same year. These pioneers all settled near Jasper during the year 1837, sixty years ago. Joseph Birk is believed to have been the first settler and Mathias Eberhard and Elizabeth Burkhart were the first couple married by a Catholic priest in Jasper. In the fall of 1837 Mr. Schuler and family arrived at Jasper, and here his death occurred September 15, 1854, at the age of seventy-eight years. His widow survived until December 13, 1866, when she died aged seventy-six years. Both lie buried in St. Joseph's cemetery.

Joseph Schuler, son of Bartholomew, was born in Loretto, Pa., February 14, 1821, and came to Jasper with his father's family in 1837. He and his sister, Anna Melchior, are probably the oldest Catholic pioneers of Dubois county now living. In 1850 Joseph Schuler was assessor of Patoka township under County Assessor Miles Schuler, and in 1870 was elected county commissioner, serving three years. He has also been a trustee of St. Joseph's church for thirty years. Mr. Schuler, now seventy-six years of age, often assists his children in their farm work, not from necessity but from

force of habit. In 1849 he married Elizabeth Schitter, who died in 1853, two sons being born to this union. The same year he married Maria Eva Boschart; of their family seven children survive, all living in Jasper and vicinity.

Miles Schuler was born at Loretto, Pa., in 1824, and came to Jasper in 1837. He worked as a carpenter until 1848, when he was elected county assessor of Dubois county. In 1850 he was county treasurer and school commissioner, and in 1861 he served as deputy county surveyor. In 1852 he married Catherine Lechner, and shortly thereafter built the saw and grist-mill, on Patoka river, near the railroad bridge. His early death took place September 16, 1862.

Anna Schuler, mother of J. T. Melchior, was born at Fayetteville, Ohio, in the year 1828, and removed to Jasper in 1837, walking a good part of the distance. After being grown she lived for several years at Louisville, where in 1849 she was married to John B. Melchior, and they shortly afterward moved to Jasper. She has been a dutiful wife and a good mother, rearing a large family, of whom nine survive. She is still in a fair state of health, living in the little cottage they built in 1851. She has seen the deep primeval forest turned into fruitful fields, and cheery homesteads, the straggling village growing into a busy town; the little frame house of worship on the banks of the Patoka has long since passed away; a large brick church became too small and has been superseded by an imposing stone edifice, with magnificent marble altars.

St. Martin's council, No. 464, Y. M. I., was organized at Jasper on January 31, 1897, with the initiation of fifteen members and election of temporary officers. On February 1 two additional members joined, and on February 17, when the charter was closed, thirty-four members took the obligation, making the total membership fifty-one. At the same time the regular officers were duly installed by Grand President J. Lilly Clark, of Washington, assisted by Hubert Schonaker, of Indianapolis, as follows: President, John T. Melchior; first vice-president, Felix Schnieder; second vice-president, Albert Sonderman; recording secretary, Gust Gramel-spacher; corresponding secretary, Conrad Krempp; financial secretary, F. M. Mueller; treasurer, P. A. Guckes; marshal, Phil J.

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Kunkel; inside sentinel, Leo Jahn; outside sentinel, Joseph Burke; chaplain, Father Martin Hoppenjahn; executive committee, J. A. Sermersheim, G. W. Gramelspacher, E. J. Kempf, A. F. Gutsell and H. Pfau. The council now has fine quarters in the Sermersheim block, consisting of council chamber, reading room and gymnasium. A sick benefit of \$3 weekly is also one of the features. Owing to removals and other causes four members have taken withdrawal cards and ten have been expelled for non-payment of dues. During the month of November, 1897, the council experienced quite a revival, nineteen new members being initiated, making the total membership now sixty-five. This places the council on a firm basis, and by wise management the order may be productive of much good in the community. The Rev. Fathers of Jasper collegè have taken an active interest in the work, and much is due them for their assistance in building up the council. Beside Father Martin, the chaplain, Father Bernard, prefect of the college, is an active member.

**G**EORGE T. MELLE, of Newcastle, Ind., was born in the parish of Muenster, Prussia, September 30, 1843, a son of George H. and Wilhelmina (Klodt) Melle, and when two years of age was brought to the United States by his parents, who settled in Cincinnati, Ohio. He attended St. Mary's parochial school in the Queen City until fourteen years old, and then worked at any employment he could find until the breaking out of the Civil war in 1861, when he enlisted and was assigned to the quartermaster's department at Lexington, Ky., and Camp Nelson, Ky., and in this capacity served until November 1, 1864, when he was honorably discharged. He then came to Richmond, Ind., and for two years followed blacksmithing in Richmond, Wayne county, and in 1867 came to Newcastle, Henry county, and here engaged in general blacksmithing and the manufacture of farm wagons until 1895, when on account of failing health he sold out his factory and shop, and retired from business.

The marriage of Mr. Melle took place, August 16, 1871, in







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Connersville, Ind., to Miss Louisa Conneller, who was born in Salem, N. J. April, 12, 1854, and was baptized in the Catholic faith on the morning of her wedding day. This marriage has been blessed with seven children, viz: Mary, wife of D. L. McVeigh, of Andrews, Huntington county, Ind.; Annie, residing with her parents; Augustus and George, printers; Minnie, Edward and Louise. The family are all members of St. Ann's church, of which Mr. Melle served on the building committee, and was a trustee from its completion until 1895, and for eighteen years has been its organist. In politics a republican, he has served as a member of the city council twelve years, and has also served as superintendent of the water works. In fact, Mr. Melle has been prominent and active in the affairs of New Castle ever since he has made his home here, and his great usefulness is duly appreciated by his fellow-citizens, in whose esteem he stands deservedly high.

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PETER MEYER (deceased) was born in Bavaria December 11, 1844, the second of a family of ten children born to Peter and Margaret (December) Meyer, who came to America about 1853 and lived in Cincinnati, Ohio, until 1857, when they came to Fayette county, Ind., where the father is still engaged in farming, although his wife died March 13, 1894.

Peter Meyer, the subject proper of this biography, remained with his parents until about fourteen years of age, when he began to serve an apprenticeship at the mason's trade, and later learned to be a tailor. April 2, 1866, he married Miss Caroline Balle, a native of Germany, born November 2, 1846, and daughter of George and Anna Balle. Mrs. Meyer died August 15, 1882, the mother of seven children, viz: Mary C. and Josephine F., both deceased; Anna M., now Mrs. Heib; Catherine and George, also deceased; Frances, attending the Brothers' school, and Josephine H. The remains of Mrs. Meyer lie interred in St. Mary's cemetery, Cincinnati, in which city her death took place, Mr. Meyer being there engaged at the time in the tailoring business. The second marriage of Mr. Meyer was consummated March 8, 1886, by Rev.

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Father Pacificus, in St. John's church, Cincinnati, with Miss Mary Matz, who was born in Alsace, Germany, January 30, 1855, a daughter of Nicholas and Anna Marie (Boul) Matz, who were the parents of fourteen children, one of whom is the Rt. Rev. N. C. Matz, D. D., who but recently resigned his position as bishop of the diocese of Denver. Mr. Meyer continued in the tailoring business in Cincinnati until 1892, when he settled in Connersville, and here expired, in the faith of the holy Catholic church, April 14, 1894. Since the death of her husband, Mrs. Meyer has continued her residence in Connersville, and is here rearing her son and daughter in the true faith—the daughter, Josephine, being a member of the Sacred Heart league, and of the Children of Mary. The late Mr. Meyer was a deeply pious man and of unflinching integrity. He was industrious and careful of his earnings, and has left to the care of his widow three business rooms and four pieces of residence property in Connersville, and 160 acres of farming land in Fayette county, valued, in all, at about \$25,000. Mrs. Meyer occupies a very fine residence on Fifth street hill, and is one of the most highly esteemed ladies of Connersville.

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**R**ICHARD N. MILET, proprietor of the Bunker Hill Press, of Miami county, was born in Rush county, Ind., September 24, 1875, and was reared on his father's farm.

Patrick Milet, father of Richard N., was a native of Ireland, was a son of Richard and Mary Milet, and was six years of age when brought to the United States by his parents, who first located in Cincinnati, Ohio, but later removed to Rush county, Ind., and settled on a farm six miles west of Rushville, where Richard Milet died in 1875. His widow then came to Bunker Hill, Miami county, where her death occurred in 1894. Richard and Mary Milet were the parents of four children, viz: Patrick, father of subject; John, a locomotive engineer at El Paso, Tex.; Thomas and Rosa, the last named being now the widow of Martin McCarty and also residing in El Paso. Patrick Milet grew to manhood in Rush county and there married Miss Ella Sullivan, a native of the county

and a daughter of Joseph and Mary Sullivan, and this marriage has been blessed with ten children, of whom eight are still living, viz: Richard N., John, Thomas, Joseph, William, Martin, Mary and Rose. In 1886 the parents came to Miami county and settled on a farm near Bunker Hill, where they still reside.

Richard N. Milet graduated from the high school at Bunker Hill in 1892, and for three years followed the vocation of school-teacher. June 1, 1896, he purchased the Press, which he has since conducted in a most masterly manner, and which is now in its twenty-fourth year of publication. It is a six-page, six-column weekly, is independent in politics, and is chiefly devoted to the promotion of the interests of Bunker Hill and surrounding country, and since Mr. Milet has had charge has grown in popularity with each passing week.

THOMAS PETER MILLEA, the popular young proprietor of the leading livery establishment in South Bend, Ind., is a native of Ireland, and was born August 8, 1865, in county Kilkenny, a son of William and Catherine (Glendon) Millea, who were also natives of county Kilkenny, born respectively in 1825 and 1831, and both of whom died in their native county in 1883. To their marriage, which took place in the parish of Lisdowney, in 1850, under the rites of the holy Catholic church, were born five children, viz: Margaret, wife of John Cole; Martin; Joseph; Anna, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Thomas P., the subject of this biographical notice.

Thomas P. Millea attended the parochial school of Lisdowney until twelve years of age, and lived with his parents until their death, and then, in 1883, came to America, landing in the city of New York, where he tarried about six months. He then went to Niles, Mich., whence he came to Indiana and for two years was employed at Notre Dame, and then came to South Bend; here he was employed in the livery business for nine years by Patrick Sheeky, and in 1894 commenced in the same line on his own account, and, being prompt in his attendance to the wants of his patrons, and being polite and accommodating and moderate in his

of the business, and has since been increasing and prospering from year to year, until he now has one of the best equipped and most popular establishments of its kind in South Bend.

The marriage of Mr. Millea was solemnized in October, 1894, by Rev. Father Clark, in St. Patrick's church, South Bend, with Miss Maggie Farrington. He and wife are still faithful members of this congregation, and are in no respect behindhand in their contributions toward support of the church and the promotion of its interests and work of charity and well doing. Mr. Millea is also a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, has hosts of friends, and has so lived as to win the respect of his neighbors and the public at large, and in particular of immediate society and church circles.

**HENRY MILLER**, a leading member of West Indianapolis parish, and gallant ex-soldier of the late war, was born in Lima, Ohio, May 17, 1843. His father, Henry M. C., and his mother, Mary (Balganorte) Miller, both natives of Germany, came to the United States in early life, and were united in marriage at Dayton, Ohio. From that city they removed to Lima, thence, after a limited period, went to Wapakoneta, the same state, where they resided until 1847, moving in that year to Braffetsville, county of Darke. In the spring of 1865 they became residents of Richmond, Ind., where the mother died January 4, 1887, the father departing this life September 2, of the same year, the latter aged seventy-four and the former a year or two younger.

Mr. Miller, Sr., was a potter by trade, and from childhood a faithful member of the holy church; his wife, also a devoted Catholic, was a woman of many excellent traits, and spared no pains to impress upon the minds of her children the principles of the religion in which she was reared. They had a family of six children, two of whom died in childhood while the family resided in Darke county; the youngest son, John, died in 1860, and a daughter in the month of March, 1882, leaving three children, two daughters and a son. The subject of this sketch is the eldest of the family; he is now residing in South Bend, Ind., and has

which had been made, showing in this way at least, in the case of 18 September.

Norman A. Dickson, 44, of the east of the city, of Miller resided there until September, 1906, when he removed to Longmont, where he now lives. He owns 1781 acres of land, mostly in West Longmont, where he has a large and well equipped with all the modern conveniences. He was married August 8, 1879, to Miss Margaret Fitzgerald, who was born in County Down, Ireland, where her parents died and laid. Her brother Donald Fitzgerald was the first of the family to come to America, he settled in Canada, where Mrs. Miller first met on her arrival. This brother is now a resident of Fargo, Minn. where another son and sister live and one other brother resides in the state of Illinois. He and Mrs. Miller

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marriage was solemnized in St. Mary's church, Richmond, by Rev. Father Montre. They were among the early members of the west Indianapolis parish, and have always been loyal supporters of the church both by their moral influence and financial liberality. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have two sons living: John, born December 15, 1873, and Thomas, born September 17, 1875. One son, Edward, died in infancy.

**M**ICHAEL MILLER, a respected farmer of Washington township, Adams county, Ind., was born in Monroeville, Huron county, Ohio, August 17, 1856, a son of Matthias and Barbara (Haime) Miller.

Matthias Miller was born in the parish of Bisten, Rhine province, Prussian Germany, June 28, 1821, and was a son of Peter and Margaret (Girard) Miller, the former of whom was born in 1769, and the latter in 1771, and who died in 1835 and 1828, respectively. To the marriage of Peter and Margaret Miller, which took place in 1790, were born eight children, of whom three came to America, viz: John, now deceased, and whose remains are interred in St. Mary's cemetery, Decatur, Ind.; Margaret, widow of Timothy Coffee, of Decatur, and Matthias. The last named was educated in his native province and at the age of thirteen years was apprenticed to the turner's trade for two years. In 1840 he came to the United States, landed in New Orleans, at once came to Indiana, and went to work on the farm of Timothy Coffee, three miles south of Decatur, on the Mud pike, where he remained until 1844, when he moved to Monroeville, Ohio, where he drove team for Louis Zeyen and James Hamilton for a period of seven years. He then returned to his native country, visited his friends for four months, brought back with him to America his fiancée, Miss Barbara Haime, and immediately on arrival in New York married her at the church of the Blessed Redeemer, October 13, 1851. Coming again to Indiana, he located on a farm three miles south of Decatur, lived there until 1853, and then again went to Monroeville, Ohio, drove team for four years, then returned to his farm south of Decatur, Ind., where he lived until 1862, when he



enlisted, at Decatur, in the Indiana volunteer infantry, under Capt. E. S. Metzger, and was mustered in at Indianapolis. In 1863 he was wounded at Pleasant Hill, La., and after recovering from his injury in the hospital at New Orleans, rejoined his command and took part in several important engagements in Mississippi and Tennessee, and was honorably discharged December 19, 1864, when he resumed his farming, which he followed until 1886, when he retired to Decatur. To his marriage with Miss Haine have been born seven children, viz: Margaret, wife of Charles Gerber, of Union township, Adams county, Ind.; Elizabeth, married to George Wilhelm, of Lima, Ohio; Michael, whose name opens this biography; Matthias, living on the old homestead; John B., a farmer six miles from Decatur; Mary and Barbara, both deceased and buried in St. Mary's cemetery, Decatur. Mr. Miller was one of the pioneer Catholic settlers of Adams county, the few who had settled here before his arrival having been the Messrs. Closs, Fiddick, Dirkes, Holthouse, Will Krietsenkamp, Baker, Spooler, Meiber, Kohne, Joseph Gass, John P. Gass and Francis Gass. Mr. Miller has worked hard in the interest of the Catholic church, and in the early days greatly aided the priests who visited Decatur to celebrate mass and perform the other duties pertaining to their holy office.

Michael Miller, the subject of this memoir, attended the Coffee school, as it was then called, three miles south of Decatur, until he was fourteen years of age, and then worked on his father's farm until his marriage, November 4, 1880, to Miss Mary C. M. Gass, daughter of John P. Gass, before alluded to as one of the early Catholic settlers of Washington township, Adams county. Mr. Gass was born in France, November 24, 1813, a son of Henry and Catherine Gass, and was by them brought to America in 1828, being thirty-eight days on the voyage and landing in New York city, whence the family went to Oswego county, N. Y., where they resided nine years, and then moved to Wayne county, Ohio, where they lived another period of nine years. April 10, 1846, Mr. Gass married Miss Catherine Moine, and of the three children born to this union, one only remains—Mrs. Miller. In the fall of 1847, Mr. Gass came to Adams county, Ind., and settled on section No.

33, in Washington township, which was then a wilderness. He erected a log cabin for his habitation, cut down the major portion of the timber and developed an excellent farm of 217 acres, which he subsequently improved with modern buildings. Here his wife died January 12, 1883, and her remains were interred in the old Catholic cemetery at Decatur, but just previous to his own death, which occurred December 13, 1895, he had her remains disinterred and transferred to St. Joseph's cemetery, where they now rest beside his own. Mr. and Mrs. Miller now occupy the old Gass homestead, with their two children—Bertha E. and Mary C. A., and are active members of St. Mary's Catholic church at Decatur. Mr. Miller has been industrious and frugal throughout his life, yet has been very charitable and liberal in his aid to church support and the advancement of the interests of his township, of which he is one of the most respected residents.

JACOB MILLER, foreman of Rauch's cigar factory, Indianapolis, is a native of Ripley county, Ind.; and was born near New Marion, February 15, 1845, a son of Nicholas and Mary (Rechtewald) Miller, natives of Germany, and the parents of nine children, of whom the elder three were also born in Germany, the nine having been born in the following order: Mary, wife of John Biedenbach, of Jeffersonville, Ind.; Margaret, deceased wife of John A. Heidlinger, died in Indianapolis in May, 1881, at the age of forty-three years; Nicholas, chief engineer of the Cerealine works, Indianapolis, and married; Katherine, who died on Good Friday, 1870, at the age of twenty-seven years; Jacob, our subject; John, who has not been heard of since 1870, and who, it is surmised, lost his life in the great Chicago fire of 1871; Matthew, a carpenter of Paducah, Ky.; Sebastian, who died at the age of thirty-seven years, being then foreman of the wheel works in Indianapolis, and Peter, who is in business in Jackson, Tenn.

Nicholas Miller, father of the above family, brought his wife and three German-born children to America in August, 1841, and located on a farm in Ripley county, where Katherine and Jacob

were born. In 1846, the family removed to Madison, Ind., and there the mother was called from earth in 1882, at the age of seventy-three years. After this bereavement, Mr. Miller made his home, alternately, with his eldest daughter in Madison, his son in Paducah, and again with his eldest daughter, and at her home passed away in 1893, at the age of eighty-four years.

Jacob Miller served an apprenticeship at cigarmaking under his brother-in-law, John Heidlinger, in Indianapolis, and then, from 1869 to 1872, was in the grocery trade at Nokomis, Ill.; from 1874 to 1876, he was a member of the Indianapolis police force, and then worked at his trade until 1885, when he was chosen clerk of the board of health, which position he held two years; he was then re-appointed to the police force, and served three years, when he again resumed his trade, and since 1890 has held his present position as foreman of the extensive cigar manufactory of John Rauch, at No. 82 West Washington street.

Mr. Miller was united in marriage, in 1866, at St. John's church, by Very Rev. Father Bessonies, with Miss Katherine Murphy, a native of Ireland. To this marriage were born seven children, of whom two died in infancy—Anna and William; Frank R. is married and resides in Muncie, Ind.; Ella, John, Flora and Katherine, all now at mature age, still reside under the parental roof. Mrs. Katherine Miller was called away in March, 1879, and in 1880 Mr. Miller was married, in St. Bridget's church, by Rev. Father Curran, to Mrs. Elizabeth A. Looney, whose maiden name was O'Meara—this being the first marriage to be solemnized in the new church edifice. Mrs. Miller was born in Ireland, and by her first husband, Edward Looney, became the mother of three children—Nellie, Nora and May, of whom Nellie and Nora have passed away. To the second marriage of Mr. Miller have been born two children—Delphie and Gertrude.

Mr. Miller is a gentleman of intelligence, and his family are cultured and refined. His home, at No. 520 Blake street, is supplied with a good library and musical instruments, is handsomely furnished, and is the seat of a generous hospitality and domestic felicity. He is a member of the Catholic Knights of America, in branch No. 22, of which he has served four years as financial secre-

tary; is also a member of the German society of Sacred Heart church, and a member of the Knights of Pythias. The family are members of St. Bridget's church, in which Mrs. Miller belongs to the Altar society and the daughters to the Young Ladies' sodality. In politics Mr. Miller is independent and has never sought public office, although he has served, by political appointment, in the position of clerk to the board of health, as previously mentioned.

**A**DAM STRATMAN, the leading hardware merchant of Huntingburg, Dubois county, Ind., was born in Ausberg, Prussia, December 8, 1849, and was brought to the United States by his parents, who arrived in Covington, Ky., April 30, 1856. He received a good education in St. Joseph's parochial school of that city and was there reared to manhood. February 3, 1873, he was united in marriage with Miss Caroline Schnell, daughter of Henry Schnell, of Schnellville, Ind., but August 10, 1897, was bereaved of his beloved wife, whose remains were most reverently interred in St. Mary's Catholic cemetery in Huntingburg, being followed to the grave by a large number of mourning friends, as she was greatly respected as a most charitable lady, who was ever ready to assist any and all who were in need. Mr. Stratman remained a widower until October, 1898, when he was united in matrimony with Miss Rosa E. Schmitt, the youngest daughter of August Schmitt, a dealer in stoves and tinware, and one of the leading Catholics of Evansville, Ind.

Mr. Stratman began his business life as a blacksmith, which trade he learned in Covington, Ky., but later spent several years in milling and was at one time a large dealer in lumber. Subsequently he engaged in farming in Dubois county, Ind., but in 1883 disposed of his farm and invested the proceeds in Huntingburg lots and also engaged in the hardware trade on Fifth street, near Washington. The original building was a frame structure of two stories, 56 x 60 feet, and was erected in 1884. His business rapidly increased, and an addition of twenty-three feet was later made, and in 1892 the building was lengthened to 120 feet. Everything was



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prospering with Mr. Stratman, but in April, 1893, fire destroyed all his property, with the exception of one of his warehouses. The value of the destroyed buildings and stock was about \$16,000, on which there was an insurance for only \$4,200, and when a settlement with the underwriters was had, Mr. Stratman received \$3,400 in cash, as one of the companies in which he held \$800 insurance failed. With this small capital, but with undiminished energy and pluck, he set himself to resume, and in May, 1893, he organized the Stratman Hardware & Builders' Supply company, and the present two-and-a-half-story brick building, 40 x 120 feet in dimensions, was the result. This is without a superior of the kind in the state, and in 1896 Mr. Stratman was enabled to purchase the interests of all the other stockholders.

Mr. Stratman has been one of the most successful business men in southern Indiana, and any attempt to enumerate the immense number of articles carried in stock by him would prove an almost endless task. But it is the immensity of this stock, and the skill which he has displayed in its selection, that have brought him this success. Every man who has ever been in his place of business joins in testifying to the great number and variety of the articles kept on hand, and experienced traveling salesmen freely compliment him on his excellent arrangement and tasty display beside.

In addition to conducting his hardware establishment, Mr. Stratman is one of five stockholders who own and control a dry-press brick plant, which turns out a fine grade of building brick of various shades and shapes, as well as fire brick of an excellent quality, and also raw and pulverized fire-clay. He is likewise a stockholder in the Farmers' Milling company, in the Fair association, and in the Huntingburg bank, but in spite of his multitudinous business transactions, Mr. Stratman has found time to serve his fellow-citizens in various official capacities as a democrat, having been town trustee two terms, city assessor one term, and has been city commissioner from the time Huntingburg was incorporated until the present, and is also a member of the Business Men's association. An earnest Catholic in religion, he freely contributes to the support of the church of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at Huntingburg, of which Rev. Augustine Falley is

the pastor. Mr. Stratman also holds membership with the Catholic Knights of America, branch No. 534, and with St. Augustine council, No. 497, Young Men's institute, and is in every way a progressive and public-spirited citizen.

NICHOLAS MILLER, engineer of the Cerealine works, North Indianapolis, was born near the river Rhine, in Prussia, Germany, July 25, 1839, a son of Nicholas and Mary Ann (Rechtewald) Miller, of whom full mention is made in the biography of Jacob Miller.

Nicholas Miller, in his thirteenth year (1852), became apprenticed to the machinist's trade in Madison, Ind., and served five years, but remained in the shop until his enlistment, July 7, 1862, in Jefferson county, in company K, Twelfth Indiana volunteer infantry. He served in the army of the Tennessee under Gen. Sherman and also under Gen. Grant, and among other engagements, took part in the battle of Richmond, Ky.; the siege of Vicksburg and the battle of Jackson, Miss.; at Memphis, at Missionary Ridge, Chattanooga and Knoxville, Tenn.; started with Sherman for the sea, but was wounded in the battle at Resaca, Ga., May 13, 1864, being shot through the right thigh, and lay in field hospital six weeks, whence he was taken to Chattanooga and then to Nashville, Tenn., and finally to Madison, where he was honorably discharged, and where he resumed work at his trade.

The marriage of Mr. Miller took place in Indianapolis August 24, 1862, to Miss Susan Ann Smitha, the Very Rev. Father Besonies performing the nuptial ceremony. The children that have blessed this union were named, in order of birth, Mary Eliza, Frances Leonora, Flora Matilda, William Henry, Dora Elizabeth, Benjamin Remhart, Josephine Delphie, Henry William, Helen Annie, George Edward and Edna Margaret—but of these Flora Matilda and Dora Elizabeth are deceased.

The parents of Mrs. Miller were Granville and Eliza (Robbins) Smitha, the former born in Kentucky in 1813, and the latter in Indiana in 1814; the death of the mother occurred in May, 1886,



and that of the father in 1889, and of their fourteen children, four only survive, viz: Albert, a farmer in Decatur county, Ind.; Willis, a teamster in Johnson county, Ind.; Mrs. Melissa Jane Bryant, of Tennessee, and Susan Ann, who was born in Jefferson county, Ind., May 11, 1846, and is now Mrs. Nicholas Miller.

After marriage, Mr. Miller removed from Madison to Columbus, Ind., and conducted a machine shop until 1880, and then moved to Edinburg, where he ran an engine for a starch factory until 1893, when he came to Indianapolis and for two years was employed by Heatherington & Benner, and then secured his present position. His son, Benjamin R., is also employed in the Cerealine works as an engineer, there being in all eight engineers in the works, exclusive of the chief, Nicholas Miller.

Mr. Miller and his family are members of St. Bridget's church, although Mrs. Miller was born of Baptist parents, was permitted to marry by special dispensation, and has ever since been a devout Catholic. Her father was a native of North Carolina, of Irish descent, and her mother of Pennsylvania, of German descent. Mr. Miller is a member of the Engineers association, but of no other brotherhood, and has been from childhood a devout Catholic, and in politics he is independent.

JACOB MILLER (deceased) was a well-known business man of Washington, Daviess county, Ind., of which city he was a resident from November, 1854, until his death, which occurred March 9, 1872. He was born in Bavaria, June 16, 1828, a son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Weir) Miller, and was early taught the mason's trade. In 1852 he came to the United States, and in June, 1853, married, in New York, Miss Eva Hegsdens, who was born in Bavaria, December 28, 1826, a daughter of Adam and Mary Ann (Deis) Hegsdens, the former of whom was a nailmaker. In 1854, Mr. and Mrs. Miller left New York for Indiana, and arrived in November, as stated above. Here Mr. Miller engaged at work as a mason on the Ohio & Mississippi railroad, and later in a brickyard and in quarrying stone, and was thus employed until 1863.

when he opened a saloon, and this he conducted until his death. He was a democrat in politics and was very popular with his party and the general public, and accumulated considerable property.

To Mr. and Mrs. Miller were born six children, as follows: Louisa, now Mrs. Henry F. Vollmer; Josephine, wife of T. Klee; Mary, Sister in St. Mary of the Woods society; Sophia, deceased; Clara, at home, and Anna, wife of Charles Burns. Mr. Miller was a member of St. Simon's Catholic church, of which Mrs. Miller was also a member, but after his decease she transferred her membership to St. Mary's congregation, of which she was a member of the Altar society, but departed this life in September, 1897.

NICHOLAS MILLER, proprietor of the tonsorial parlor at the Burt house, Decatur, is a son of John and Elizabeth Miller, both natives of Hanover, Germany, the father born in the year 1817 and the mother in 1822. These parents died, respectively, in 1871 and 1862, and their remains are buried in St. Mary's cemetery, Decatur, having both been members of the parish of St. Mary's.

The subject of this sketch first saw the light of day in Decatur, Ind., August 7, 1862, and received his education in the parochial schools of the city, which he attended until his seventeenth year. He then began learning the barber's trade, at which he soon acquired great proficiency and which he has followed with encouraging success in Decatur ever since the year 1879. His present place of business in the Burt house is one of the finest tonsorial parlors in the city, and his patronage is extensive and all that he can reasonably desire. Mr. Miller was united in marriage May 5, 1885, in St. Mary's church, Father Wilken officiating, with Miss Anna Jones, a union blessed with the birth of two children: Frederick and William H., the former deceased. Mr. Miller is a member of St. Mary's parish, Decatur, and served as altar boy in the church from 1870 to 1875; he is an active worker in the St. Joseph society, and his wife belongs to the society of St. Mary's. Both are devoted to the church, in the faith of which they were reared, and in all its charities they are ever ready to lend their influence and material encouragement.

REV. WILLIAM C. MILLER, the well-beloved pastor of St. Patrick's church, Oxford, Benton county, Ind., is a native of Germany, was born July 11, 1857, and came to the United States in December, 1878. He had of course passed through all his preparatory studies in his native land, and in this country passed through the Theological seminary in Cincinnati, Ohio, finishing at St. Meinrad's, Spencer county, Ind. He was ordained priest in September, 1881, and was first stationed at Roanoke, Huntington county, Ind., where he officiated a year and a half, when he was transferred to Kentland, Newton county, in 1883, and then to Arcola, Allen county; in 1895 he was appointed to his present charge of St. Patrick, which includes St. Bridget's mission, in which he has erected a new church-building, and has also erected a fine parsonage in Oxford, furnishing it nicely throughout.

Father Miller is a clergyman of more than ordinary erudition, is pious and heartily imbued with a sense of duty to his church and his charge, and is greatly esteemed by the citizens of Oxford, and dearly beloved by his parishioners, over whom he exercises so wholesome an influence, spiritually and temporally.

WILLIAM J. MINER, real estate and insurance agent, ex-soldier of the Civil war and ex-county auditor of Tipton county, was born in Hendricks county, Ind., August 4, 1837, a son of Richard and Linda M. (Jackson) Miner, also natives of Indiana. The father was a justice of the peace for many years at Elwood, Madison county, where he also practiced law, and where he died in February, 1875, at the age of sixty-four years; the mother is now eighty-four years old, and resides with her son, William J., the subject of this sketch. In politics the father was a democrat, and at one time judge of the common pleas court.

William J. Miner remained on the home farm until fourteen years old, when he began learning the trade of wagonmaking, and was following this trade when the Civil war broke out. He at once answered the call to arms and enlisted, at Elwood, in company E, Thirty-fourth Indiana volunteer infantry, and his first

hard-fought battle was at Port Gibson, Miss. For meritorious conduct he was rapidly promoted until he reached the rank of first lieutenant, taking part in the engagements at Champion's Hill (where he was slightly wounded), Vicksburg, and other places. But impaired health necessitated his resignation in October, 1864, when he returned to Elwood, and engaged in merchandizing; later he came to Tipton county and for twelve years was engaged in the hardware trade in Windfall.

Mr. Miner has been active as a democrat and has attended several party conventions, and at different times has filled the office of chairman. He had also served as township trustee, and, although he never had any great desire for public office, he accepted his party's nomination for county auditor in 1886, but, after serving one term, declined further service. Upon being elected to the office just mentioned, Mr. Miner sold out his business in Windfall, and November 16, 1886, settled in Tipton; soon after retiring from the auditorship, he engaged in the real estate, abstract, loan and insurance business, as a member of the firm of Searight, Clark & Miner, and this has ever since engaged his time and attention.

April 24, 1866, Mr. Miner was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth M. Guisinger, of Anderson, Ind., who was born near Uniontown, Ohio, a daughter of John S. Guisinger, M. D., and three children have blessed this union, viz: Orpha, who completed her education at St. Mary's school at LaFayette, Ind., and is now the wife of Frank J. Bower, of Tipton; Gertrude, who was educated at Oldenburg, Ind., and Paul, who was educated in Tipton. For many years Mr. Miner was not connected with any church organization, but in 1891 became converted to Catholicity and has since been a faithful member of St. John the Baptist church, of which he has served as a trustee. Mrs. Miner was reared a Catholic.

Mr. Miner has made his way unaided through the world, and, being an excellent man of business, has met with success. He is a stockholder and director in the People's bank, of Windfall, and a stockholder in the Windfall Manufacturing company. He owns a residence in Tipton, where he has also erected and still owns a

business building. He is greatly respected as a citizen and neighbor, and he and family move in the best society circles of Tipton city and county.

**H**ENRY MARTIN MOCK, a popular practical plumber of No. 846 Buchanan street, Indianapolis, is a native of this city, was born July 19, 1865, and is a son of Martin and Anna Mock, who came single to America from Germany, and were married, in 1850, in Cincinnati, Ohio, but who have been residents of Indianapolis for the past forty years. These parents have had born to them a family of eight children, in the following order: Frederick, who died in his twenty-second year; Lizzie, who was married to Joseph Yeager, and died at about twenty-seven years of age; Stephen died when twenty-four years old; Mary is the wife of Henry Hanf, whose biography appears on another page; Joseph died when twenty-one years old; Henry M. is our subject; John was accidentally struck by a blow from a ball-bat at the age of nine years and died from the effect; and Charles, who married Miss Anna Grandy, lives on a farm near the city, but is a machinist by trade and is employed in the Indiana Bicycle factory.

Henry M. Mock received his primary education in the ward schools of Indianapolis, which he attended about three years, and finished his education at St. Mary's parochial school. He then served an apprenticeship of three years at plumbing with W. L. Ramsey & Son, then worked as a journeyman for three years with George W. Keiser, and for the past eleven years has been with his present employers, Knight & Jillson, on South Pennsylvania street.

The marriage of Mr. Mock was celebrated August 10, 1886, at St. Mary's church, by the Very Rev. Scheideler, V. G., when he was united with Miss Clara Schlick, a native of Ripley county, Ind., and the only child of Mrs. Minnie Schlick, a widow, who now makes her home with Mr. and Mrs. Mock, whose union has been blessed with one son and one daughter, viz: Joseph Henry, who was born August 18, 1889, and Anna Catherine, born February 6, 1892. The family are members of St. Mary's church, and Mr. Mock is a member of St. Joseph's society and of St. Patrick's

Young Men's institute. In politics he is a free-silver democrat, but has never sought nor held office. He pays assiduous attention to his business, is industrious, temperate and frugal, but liberal in his donations to his church, and has won the respect of his neighbors and many friends within the pale of the church and outside of it.

AUGUST MOMENCE, retired contractor, was born in Vincennes, Ind., November 11, 1834, and has always lived within two squares of his birthplace. His parents, August and Bridget (Bona) Momence, long since deceased, were also natives of Vincennes, the mother having been born in the same building in which the subject first saw light, and the father in another portion of the city, not very distant, in 1804, a few years anterior to the birth of the mother. The paternal grandfather of the subject was of French extraction, was born in Canada, and settled in Vincennes in the early part of the last century. August Momence and wife had a family of ten children, who were born in the following order: John, who died at the age of ten years; Margaret, who was married to S. Chapaun, but died in early womanhood; August, the subject of this biography; Louise, who died in childhood; Susan, who was married to Frank Vachet, and died about 1890; Peter, who is totally blind and is living with August, the subject, his infirmity being the result of exposure during his service in the Civil war—for which he receives a liberal pension; Eliza, who was married to Lambert Stangel, and died in middle life; Hannah, widow of John Louyan, is a resident of Vincennes; Joseph, who died at the age of two years, and Delia, who also died in childhood.

August Momence, the subject, received a very fair education in the common schools, which he supplemented through self-application to study even after reaching mature years. He learned the carpenter's trade under his father, and after the death of the latter succeeded him in business. Until within the past four years, subject was extensively engaged in contracting and building, even at the early age of eighteen years erecting St. Thomas church, and later doing a great deal of work at the orphan asylum. He has,

however, had some experience in mercantile affairs, having conducted a grocery for four or five years prior to his marriage, and also for a short time gave his attention to farming in the Wabash valley.

The marriage of subject took place, in 1859, to Miss Mary Mallet, a native of Vincennes, the result of the union being five children. Of these, Bridget died at the age of six months; Louise, still under the parental roof, was educated at St. Rose academy and is accomplished as a musician and artist in painting; Delia died at the age of eight years and John at two; Nellie, also a graduate of St. Rose academy, and equally accomplished as her sister Louise, both in painting and music, is a professional teacher of the latter art and is living with her parents. The family worship at St. Francis Xavier cathedral, of which congregation they have all been life members. In politics Mr. Momence is a republican, and during the late Civil war offered his services in defense of the flag of his native country, but his physical condition was such as to prevent his being accepted as a Union soldier; and it may also be mentioned that his brother, Peter Momence, is equally ardent in his advocacy of the doctrines of the republican party. August Momence, the subject of this sketch, is a gentleman of unbounded liberality, although altogether unostentatious in the exercise of his charities, and is deservedly entitled to the high esteem in which he is held by his fellow-citizens.

PETER MOAN (deceased), formerly a substantial and highly respected citizen of Mishawaka, St. Joseph county, Ind., was born in county Monaghan, Ireland, in 1810, and married in his native county, in 1848, Miss Mary Woods, who was born in 1824, also in county Monaghan—the union resulting in the birth of four children, viz: Mary, wife of John Cunningham, of Mishawaka; Anna and Alice, deceased, and James A., of Mishawaka, Ind.

On arriving in America Peter Moan landed in New York, whence he came directly to Mishawaka, being one of the pioneer Catholics of St. Joseph county, Ind., his name appearing on the

church record prior to 1857, among those of John McErlain, Patrick Moan, Edward Mulligan, John Armstrong, Michael Klein, John Becker, Philip Mulligan, Philip Blake, John Doyle, Patrick Cooney, John Donohue, Jacob Zahm, Jacob Claer, Samuel Black, John Hanprich, Thomas Hughes, John Kurtz, F. N. Krantz, Peter Klein, Martin Myers, John Klein and George Moan. Peter Moan was very active in his efforts to advance the interests of the church and died one of its most devoted members, December 10, 1867, his widow surviving until May 20, 1887. The memory of both is still cherished with warmth by many of the old settlers of Mishawaka, and their honored name is the rich inheritance of the two surviving children.

Patrick Moan, a brother of Peter Moan, the subject, was one of the earliest Catholic settlers of St. Joseph county, coming here in 1844, and this fact was the reason of Peter Moan and his wife and Irish-born children making this county their home. Patrick Moan died here in the Catholic faith, leaving two daughters—Martha and Mrs. Harriet Reed, of Mishawaka.

**PATRICK W. MOFFITT**, of Portland, Ind., was born in the town of Louisville, Stark county, Ohio, April 21, 1831. His father, Richard Moffitt, was born in Sligo, Ireland, in the year 1792, died in Lafayette, Ind., in 1865, and was buried in the Catholic cemetery at Huntington. The mother of the subject, whose maiden name was Margaret Glass, bore her husband thirteen children, of whom seven are buried at Louisville, Ohio; the following are living: John R., at Denver, Colo.; James, at Louisville, Ohio; Hannah, wife of Prof. Kennedy (deceased), of Lafayette; Richard, who resides in California; Henry, of Huntington, and Patrick W., whose name introduces this sketch.

Young Patrick remained under the parental roof until thirteen years old, at which early age he was apprenticed to the machinist's trade, at Massillon, Ohio, at which he served four years. He then went to Piqua, where he worked at his trade several years, and in 1860 came to Huntington, Ind., where he was engaged in the



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machinist and foundry business until his removal, in 1879, to Portland. Mr. Moffitt has operated a foundry and machine shop ever since locating here, and by close application and successful management has succeeded in building up a very profitable business. He was married to Miss Anna Meade, in Darke county, Ohio, October 15, 1853, by Father Quinlan, and has a family of six children, viz: Catherine R., who resides at home; Mary L., wife of E. M. Hall, Greenville, Ohio; Celia M., wife of Charles Walters, of Huntington; Clara A., wife of Louis Trixler, Huntington; William R., at home, and John A., who lives at Cripple Creek, Colo.

Mr. Moffitt and his entire family are active members of the Catholic church.

DANIEL MONAGHAN, JR., who is a native-born citizen of Washington, Daviess county, Ind., was born October 6, 1868, a son of Daniel and Mary Lively Monaghan, the former a native of Ireland and the latter of the state of Illinois.

Daniel Monaghan, father of subject, came to America in 1857, and made his home at once in Daviess county, Ind., and here found employment as a general laborer, to which he applied himself industriously until able to provide for a wife and resulting family, which he never failed to do until his powers became exhausted. To his marriage, in Daviess county, Ind., with Miss Lively, have been born ten children, in the following order: Michael, of Washington; Philip, a coal miner; Elizabeth, wife of H. Sahn; Daniel, Jr., subject of this sketch; Annie, wife of John R. Jones; Catherine, at home; Anthony, a calciminer; Bridget, John and Margaret, at home. The family are all good Catholics, faithful and sincere, and belong to St. Simon's parish.

Daniel Monaghan, Jr., our subject, dutifully attended the parochial school until fifteen years of age, and the education thus acquired was supplemented by a two-year course in the common schools of Washington. Telegraphy next occupied his attention until 1888, after which date he attended bar until 1891, in May of which year he was nominated by the democratic party as its candidate for city clerk, but met with defeat, as did the rest of the

ticket. He was, however, appointed deputy recorder under John Dosch, and served in this capacity for three years, and gave such general satisfaction in the performance of the duties of this office that on his renomination for the position of city clerk, in 1894, he was triumphantly elected and filled the office, with credit to himself and to the satisfaction of the public, until September, 1898. Mr. Monaghan has been a temperate, prudent and economical citizen, although generous and open-hearted, and now owns two pieces of improved residence property and four building lots within the city limits of Washington. A member of St. Simon's church, he has fully lived up to the duties imposed by the Catholic religion.

**DENNIS MONAHAN**, now engaged in the manufacture of shirts in Fort Wayne, Ind., was born in Jefferson township, Allen county, February 27, 1846, and is a son of John and Catherine (Driscoll) Monahan, natives of Ireland, the former of whom was born in 1811. These parents came to the United States and located in Allen county, Ind., in 1834, and here the father died in 1866 and the mother in 1885, the parents of six children, of whom four still survive.

Dennis Monahan received a good common-school education, was reared on a farm, and in December, 1863, enlisted in company B, One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Indiana volunteer infantry, and served until the close of the war, participating in the battles of Resaca and Kenesaw Mountain, and the engagements about Atlanta, Ga., and Kingston, N. C. On his return from the defense of his country's flag, he engaged, at the age of twenty-three, in the hat and cap trade with Harper & Co., of Fort Wayne, with whom he remained nine years, and then for fifteen years was in the hat and gents' furnishing goods trade, in partnership with Edward J. Golden; was then in the wholesale hat business for a year and a half, next engaged in the retail hat trade a short time, and then entered into the manufacture of shirts.

Mr. Monahan was united in marriage, in September, 1872, with Miss Elizabeth Golden, who was born in Fort Wayne in 1849,

a daughter of Patrick Golden, and this union has been blessed with nine children (of whom eight are still living), viz: John J., Grace M., Thaddeus B., Alfred E., Bernadette C., Dennis L., Edith J., Frank G. (born February 27, died March 28, 1897), and Anthony W. All the survivors are members of the Catholic church, and Mr. Monahan is also a member of the Catholic Knights of America, St. Joseph's Benevolent society and other sodalities. In politics Mr. Monahan is a democrat, and served in the city council of Fort Wayne in 1886-7, and is recognized as one of the most energetic and popular residents of the city, respected by all who know him.

EDWARD MOORE, deceased, was a well-known Catholic and a respected citizen of Indianapolis, where he had resided from 1873 until the time of his death, which occurred August 24, 1889. He was born in county Kildare, Ireland, in 1827, but when a child lost his father, James Moore. In 1840, his mother brought Edward to America, her elder children having preceded them to the new world, and the family were reunited in the city of New York, where the mother passed the remainder of her life.

Edward Moore was united in marriage, in New York, with Miss Ellen McMannis, and early in the 'fifties removed to Cincinnati, Ohio, but soon afterward came to Indiana and located in Richmond, where he lost his wife in 1859, who left to his care six small children. In order that these children might be well reared and properly instructed, he removed to Cincinnati and placed them in Mount St. Vincent academy, where they remained until the eldest, Mary, was sixteen years of age, the younger girls continuing in school. They later returned to their father, who continued to reside in Cincinnati one year, then returned to and resided in Richmond until April 1, 1873, when he brought his family to Indianapolis, where Mr. Moore continued as master mechanic of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad company, of which he was one of the earliest employees in this part of the state, and with which he served thirty-five years—first as a fireman, then as engineer, and lastly, as master mechanic.

Of the six children alluded to above three are still living—Mary, Kate and Ellen—who own a pleasant home at No. 2030 East Washington street, in Holy Cross parish. Prior to October, 1897, they had resided a quarter of a century in St. Patrick's parish. The three deceased children were named Rose, Margaret and Edward. The father was a true Catholic and a worthy citizen, who, bereft of his beloved wife when his children were mere infants, bore the responsibility that rested upon him as became a sincere Christian, an affectionate father and honorable gentleman, and his unfailing kindness is still cherished in most grateful remembrance by his surviving children, who are also devoted members of the Catholic church.

**T**HOMAS WILLIAM MOORHEAD, M. D., a leading physician and surgeon of southwestern Indiana, is a native of Terre Haute and a son of John and Hanna (Devereux) Moorhead, the father born in Ireland and the mother in Hagerstown, Md. John Moorhead came to the United States in 1847, and located in Terre Haute, Ind., which city he still makes his home. His wife died in 1891, the mother of eleven children, of whom ten are still living, the subject of this sketch being eldest in order of birth.

Dr. Moorhead first saw the light of day May 31, 1856, and grew to manhood in Terre Haute, receiving his education in the parochial and public schools of the city. While still young, he decided to turn his attention to the study of chemistry, and the better to prepare himself for his chosen calling, entered, in 1872, the Philadelphia college of Pharmacy, where he remained two years, at the end of which time he began the study of medicine. His professional training was pursued in the university of Pennsylvania and the Medical college of Indiana, from the latter of which he was graduated in 1876, and immediately thereafter began the practice at Crawfordsville, Ind., where he remained with encouraging success for a period of two years. In the meantime, June, 1877, the doctor was united in marriage with Miss Flora B. Kelley, of Frankfort, daughter of T. S. Kelley, and in 1878 he located in Terre Haute, where he has since remained and where he has

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achieved a reputation entitling him to prominent mention among the distinguished medical men of Indiana. The doctor brought to the practice a mind well fortified with intellectual and professional training, and his conscientious fidelity to duty and to principle has won for him the love and confidence of all with whom he comes in contact as a medical advisor. He is a member of the American Medical association, the Vigo Medical society, the Esculapian society of the Wabash valley, and the national association of Railway surgeons, holding at this time the position of surgeon to the C., C., C. & St. L. R. R. He served eight years on the medical staff of St. Anthony's hospital, and was a member of the United States examining board during the two administrations of President Cleveland, beside filling other positions of a professional nature, among which were that of member of the local board of health and that of county physician. The doctor is a faithful son of the church, and has ever been mindful of the high claims of religion, which every true Catholic recognizes and aims to discharge. He is an active member of the C. K. A., and with his family attends St. Patrick's church, with which he has been identified for many years.

The doctor and Mrs. Moorhead are the parents of one child, a son, Herbert John Moorhead, whose birth occurred February 27, 1880; he is a young man of much promise, and at this time is pursuing his studies in the university of Notre Dame, South Bend, Ind.

**PATRICK T. MORAN**, at No. 501 West Washington street, Indianapolis, Ind., was born in county Galway, Ireland, March 14, 1851. He is a son of Martin and Mary (Flaherty) Moran, both natives of the same county, in which the latter died when she was forty-six years of age. Martin Moran then came to the United States, landing in New York April 11, 1864. In his native country he followed farming, as he also did after reaching the United States. He was born November 9, 1809, and is now therefore in his eighty-ninth year, and is a resident of Hendricks county, Ind. He and his wife were the parents of the following children: Mary,

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who married Michael Killey, of Indianapolis, by him had a large family of children, and died on a farm January 9, 1881; Michael, a farmer of Hendricks county, Ind.; Bridget, widow of Martin Burke, who was killed in a railroad accident, being at the time in the employ of the Vandalia Railway company; Margaret, who died in Indianapolis, unmarried, at the age of twenty-two years, her death occurring in 1873, and Patrick T., the subject of this brief sketch.

Patrick T. Moran passed his life on the farm until reaching mature years, and at the age of twenty-one became an employee of the Kingan Packing company in Indianapolis, by which company he was employed for thirteen years. In 1885, he established himself in business at the location given above, and is still thus engaged. Mr. Moran is still unmarried. He is a member of St. John's church, of which the Rev. Father Gavisk is the pastor, and he is also a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Politically he is an ardent and active democrat, though he has never either held nor sought office; but he has assisted friends of his to official positions. Mr. Moran is popular among his friends, is an honorable man and is greatly esteemed by all that know his worth and good moral character.

**CAPT. WILLIAM TOBIN**, of headquarters, Indianapolis fire department, was born in Lancaster, Pa., October 18, 1852, a son of Thomas and Kate Slattery Tobin, natives of Ireland, and born, respectively, in counties Kildare and Tipperary, but married in Pennsylvania, where they resided but a short time after marriage, then went to Madison county, Ohio, located on a farm, on which they lived until 1863, and then came to Indianapolis; here the father worked in a rolling-mill until his death, which occurred in January, 1879, his wife having passed away but two weeks previously. Of their family of thirteen children, four only are now living, viz: William, Thomas, James and John. Thomas is married and is engaged in building cold-storage warehouses in St. Louis, Mo.; James resides on South West street, Indianapolis, and is a carpenter and contractor, and John is a grocer at the corner of West and McCarty streets.



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Capt. William Tobin received his education in the Brothers' school of Indianapolis, but he was early compelled to earn a livelihood, his father having become embarrassed. For several years he was employed in the Sarven Wheel works, and in 1875 became a member of company No. 4, city fire department, of which he was made captain in 1879, and so continued until 1884, when he resigned his captaincy to take a position on the watch tower, which he held until 1891, when he was promoted to be captain of company No. 7, and in December of the same year was transferred to his present position at headquarters.

The marriage of Capt. Tobin was solemnized June 7, 1876, by Rev. Father Bessonies, with Miss Jennie Ayers, daughter of Richard and Catherine Ayers, of Hendricks county, Ind., and to this union have been born seven children, of whom four are living, viz: George, born in 1881; Frank, born in June, 1885; Edward, born October 10, 1887, and Ethel, born May 18, 1895; the deceased were named Annie, who was the eldest; Thomas was the third born and Katie the fifth; Capt. Tobin and his surviving children are members of St. John's church, Rev. Father Gavisk, pastor; Mrs. Tobin, who was born of Protestant parents, does not affiliate with any religious organization. In politics he is a democrat, as are his brothers and as was his father. The captain is an honest, capable and temperate citizen—otherwise he would not be where he is.

Capt. Tobin is also interested in poultry breeding, and makes a specialty of standard S. C. White Leghorns, which he has been handling and exhibiting for the past fifteen years, taking many prizes. He has both birds and eggs for sale at all times, and his price list may be had by addressing him at 173 West Morris street, Indianapolis.

CHARLES W. MORBACH, chief bookkeeper of the famous "New York" store of Indianapolis, was born in Napoleon, Ind., March 24, 1851, and has been a resident of the Railroad city since 1872.

Nicholas Morbach, father of Charles W., was born in Alsace

in 1822—the province at that date belonging to France. He had just attained his majority when he left his native land to find a home in America, and on his arrival in this country first located in Cincinnati, Ohio, where, a short time afterward, in 1845, he was united in marriage with Miss Theresa Wolfersperger, also a native of Alsace, who had come to America in the same steamer with Mr. Morbach. In 1851 they removed to Napoleon, Ind. To their marriage were born eight children—two sons and six daughters—and of these Charles W. and four sisters still survive. The father now resides at Osgood, Ripley county, Ind.

Charles W. Morbach, on coming to Indianapolis, formed his business connection with the New York store, which still continues. To better prepare himself for this business he pursued a full course of bookkeeping, thus adding to the information he had secured in his native parish. August 20, 1877, he was united in marriage with Miss Henrietta Helpman, daughter of Andrew Helpman, and a native of Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Morbach have a pleasant home at No. 1148 Olive street, and enjoy the reputation of being among the most active and useful residents of St. Patrick's parish. Mr. Morbach is an esteemed member of St. Patrick's branch of the Catholic Knights of America, No. 503, of which he has for some time been the efficient secretary and treasurer. His success as a business man is largely due to his ability as a salesman and accountant, yet his courtesy and accommodating disposition form quite a factor of his prosperity. His domestic life is a very pleasant one, and his temperate habits and moral conduct have gained for him the high esteem of a wide circle of warm-hearted friends.

JOHN MORAN, with his family of wife and one son, resides at No. 827 Buchanan street, Indianapolis. Mr. Moran is an engineer by occupation, since 1879 having been employed in that capacity by Kingan & Co., meat packers of Indianapolis. He was born in Lockport, N. Y., November 20, 1852. His father, John Moran, Sr., was born in county Roscommon, Ireland, about 1818, grew to manhood in his native country, and married Miss Ellen

Riley. In 1848, leaving his wife and young family in Ireland, he emigrated to the United States, and about three years later, he having prepared a place for them in this country, they joined him, all settling at Lockport, N. Y., there being at that time five daughters in the family. As already stated, John Moran, the subject of this sketch, was born at that place. After some time the family removed to Niagara Falls, where another son, Joseph, was born, he being the youngest of the family. At Niagara Falls the family lived for about twenty-five years. The five daughters above referred to are named as follows: Mary, wife of Thomas McCoy, an extensive farmer of Rush county, Ind.; Bridget, wife of Peter Thomas, of Niagara Falls; Ellen, widow of George W. Allen, of Indianapolis; Catherine, wife of Henry C. Odell, of Kansas City, Mo., and Anna, wife of John Rascob, of Lockport, N. Y. Joseph resides with the subject of this sketch, and is yet unmarried. One son and one daughter died in Ireland.

John Moran, the subject of this sketch, came to Indianapolis in 1871, since which time he has been a resident hereof, except for a period of about three years, spent at the old home in the state of New York. His parents removed to Indianapolis about 1880, and here the mother died, the father dying some time later at the home of his daughter, in Rushville, Ind. Mr. Moran was married at St. Mary's church, Indianapolis, May 25, 1881, by Rev. Father Scheideler, to Miss Barbara E. Schultz, who was born in Madison, Ind., and is a daughter of Bernard and Margaret Schultz, natives of Germany, the former of whom is now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Schultz became the parents of seven children, four of whom, two sons and two daughters, are still living, viz: Matthew, of Joliet, Ill.; Nicholas, of Madison, Ind.; Mrs. Moran and Mrs. Eva McAdams, of Indianapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. Moran have one son, Joseph Alfred, born July 11, 1882, who has been a student at St. Patrick's and Sacred Heart schools in Indianapolis, and who is now in attendance at the training school. Both parents are numbered among the well known and highly esteemed Catholics of Indianapolis, and are members of St. Patrick's church. Mr. Moran is a member of St. Patrick's branch, No. 563, Catholic Knights of America.

**W**ILLIAM MORGAN, who is living in retirement in the city of Shelbyville, Ind., was born in Lexington, Fayette county, Ky., March 16, 1826, a son of Dennis and Elizabeth (Robbins) Morgan.

Dennis Morgan was a native of Virginia, and while yet a single man went to Kentucky, and in Lexington met and married Miss Robbins, a native of the city, where they resided, after marriage, until 1829, when they came to Shelby county, Ind., locating in Addison township, where the father was engaged in farming until 1849, when they came to Shelbyville, where Mr. Morgan conducted a dry-goods store until 1858, when they removed to Indianapolis. He died April 3, 1863, and his widow in August, 1886, both devout Catholics and the parents of nine children, viz: John H., deceased; James R., in the hotel business in Indianapolis; William, whose name stands at the opening of this memoir; Marv J., deceased; Richard S., of Cincinnati, Ohio; Ellen, deceased; Ann E., of Indianapolis, Ind.; Leo, in the Marion Soldiers' Home, and Dennis, in the egg and poultry trade at St. Louis, Mo.

William Morgan was a child of three years of age when brought to Shelby county by his parents. His education was received in the pioneer log school-house, and he was reared to manhood on his father's farm. At the age of twenty-two, he came to Shelbyville and learned milling, and, later, engineering. For thirteen years he was employed by J. R. Stewart in a planing-mill as engineer, served thirteen years as city engineer, was five years engineer for the water works company, and for four years was engineer for an ice plant, finally retiring from all labor in 1896.

Mr. Morgan was united in marriage, in St. Vincent's church, August 7, 1849, with Miss Susannah Worland, who was born in Shelby county, Ind., March 13, 1830, a daughter of Leo H. and Margaret V. (Lowden) Worland, and this union has been blessed with one child, Thomas L., who is an engineer in the Stewart & Blakely furniture factory. Mr. Morgan, wife and son are members of St. Joseph's church, of which Mr. Morgan has been a trustee for many years, and of which Mrs. Morgan is a member of the Altar society and St. Ann's sodality.

Mr. Morgan enlisted, July 13, 1862, in company B, Seventieth

Indiana volunteer infantry, for three years, but was honorably discharged December 13, 1862, at Bowling Green, Ky., on account of disability, his reward being a pension of \$12 per month. He is an honored member of the Grand Army of the Republic, Mrs. Morgan being a member of the Woman's Relief Corps. Mr. Morgan has led a life of sobriety and industry, and is now the owner of four residence properties in Shelbyville, and is highly respected by all who know him. In politics he is a republican.

**F**IDEL MORGENROTH, a leading member of Sacred Heart parish, Schnellville, Ind., was born in Jasper, Dubois county, February 12, 1839, the fourth of the five children born to Kaspar and Barbara Morgenroth, natives of Bayern, Germany, who came to America in 1838, but both of whom are now deceased. The father was a linen weaver by trade, but after coming to the United States followed the vocation of farming. Of their five children, four are still living, viz: Dorada, wife of a retired farmer, John Temple, and the mother of fourteen children, of whom ten are still living; Mary, wife of John Yohn, of Jasper, and of whose seven children six still survive; Fidel, the subject, and Sister Blondina, an inmate of the convent at Vincennes.

Fidel Morgenroth was educated in the subscription schools of Jasper and passed his earlier manhood days as a general laborer. In 1864 he enlisted in company G, Forty-fourth Indiana volunteer infantry, and served chiefly as train guard and on picket duty until 1865, when, at the close of the war, he returned home, and, October 2, 1866, was first united in marriage, by Rev. Fidelis Maute, to Miss Agatha Gross, a native of Dubois county. Mr. Morgenroth has been blessed with three sons and four daughters, and of these seven children six are still living, viz: George, who, at fourteen years of age, was confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais and is now engaged in business with a brother at Schnellville, although most of his time is devoted to farming; Mary, confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais, is the wife of Martin Wagner, of St. Anthony; John, confirmed by Bishop Chatard, is in mercantile business with his

brother George in Schnellville; Fidelus, also confirmed by Bishop Chatard, resides in Illinois; Barbara, likewise confirmed in the faith by Bishop Chatard, is a resident of Louisville, Ky.; and Maggie A., now sixteen years of age, is a pupil in the common schools and has her home with her father. Mrs. Agatha Morgenroth was called away, in the Catholic faith, June 12, 1883, and Mr. Morgenroth was next married, by Rev. Father Fleischmann, at Celestine, April 29, 1884, to Miss Fredelica Prechtel, also a native of Dubois county, born November 17, 1853, and confirmed at the age of thirteen by Bishop de St. Palais.

Mr. Morgenroth is emphatically what is termed a self-made man in business parlance. When he started in life, at the age of fourteen years, he did not own ten dollars, but he has always been fortunate in his undertakings, although he has been obliged to work hard for what he now owns. He first became a resident of Schnellville October 12, 1866, and here he has resided ever since, with the exception of six months passed in Jasper. Beside other valuable property in Schnellville, he owns a large general store, as well as a fine farm of 147 acres in Dubois county—all acquired by his business sagacity, industry and good management. In politics he is a sound democrat, and has served as supervisor and school director for years. For many years, also, he has been a trustee of the church of the Sacred Heart, and has closely and faithfully adhered to the faith in which he was confirmed, at the age of fourteen years, by Bishop de St. Palais.

**WILLIAM C. MORIARTY.**—Among the many prominent Catholic citizens of Indianapolis who have passed away, William C. Moriarty deserves appreciative mention. He was born in Dublin, Ireland, about 1840, and there possessed more than ordinary advantages for obtaining an education, graduating from an excellent institution of learning when he was sixteen years of age. Almost immediately afterward he left his native country to begin life on his own account in the new world, coming directly to Indianapolis, and for some time pursuing a course of study in the

high schools of this city. When the late Civil war broke out, and the integrity of the Union was threatened by the attempted secession of the southern states, Mr. Moriarty, though not a native of the country, was prompt to respond to the call of the president for troops, and assisted in organizing the Thirty-fifth Indiana volunteer infantry, with which he entered the field as sergeant-major. Later, for gallant conduct and meritorious services, he was promoted to be adjutant of the regiment, which position he held until the close of the war. Peace being restored, he returned to Indianapolis and here became identified with its business interests.

October 7, 1867, he was married in the cathedral of Sts. Peter and Paul, in Detroit, to Miss Emma Reaume, daughter of Anthony Reaume. Mr. Moriarty met his future wife in Indianapolis, she having come to this city when quite young to attend the Sisters' school of St. John's parish, residing while here with her brother, John A. Reaume. At the time of their marriage she was visiting friends in Detroit. Mrs. Moriarty was a mere child when she lost her mother. Her father, though of French descent, was a native of Monroe county, Mich., and was for more than fifty years a resident of Wayne county, that state. He was an upright, honorable and esteemed citizen, and passed the last years of his life with his son in Indianapolis. He was married twice, and by his two wives was the father of eleven children, of whom Mrs. Moriarty, a brother of hers and three half-brothers are all that remain.

Immediately after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Moriarty located in Indianapolis, where he was engaged in active business until the illness came on him which terminated in his death, September 16, 1881. He was known to be a man of more than average natural ability, and this natural ability was developed and enriched by a high degree of culture. He was an expert book-keeper, and his known skill in this line caused his services to be in great demand. He was affable and genial in his disposition, and his friends embraced all those who had a personal acquaintance with him. During the war he was a brave and gallant soldier, and afterward he was ever an honored and esteemed citizen, a kind husband and father, and his generosity was a prominent trait of his character. Self-reliance was also a prominent characteristic; his

father having died when he was a child, it then became necessary for him to take care of himself, but he considered it his duty to bring his mother to the United States and to care for her while he lived, which he did, she surviving him for a number of years. He was a faithful and consistent Catholic, always active in the support of the church. At his death he left his wife with three young sons to train and educate, the eldest of whom, Charles R., has been engaged in railroad business since he was a lad of twelve years of age; William C. is a decorator, and the youngest son, John, is a stenographer by occupation.

With regard to the mother of these children, it should be said that after the death of her husband she felt it to be her chief duty to so rear them that they would not only be a credit to his memory, but that they should be good and useful citizens of their country, her efforts meeting with most gratifying success. The home of the family is at No. 419 East New York street, Indianapolis, Ind.

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JAMES MORIN, one of the most prosperous farmers of Harrison township, Daviess county, Ind., is a native of Ireland, was born in county Derry, in 1831, and is the third of the family of six sons and three daughters born to Hugh and Catherine (McGurk) Morin. Of the nine children alluded to, six are still living, viz: Sarah, the wife of John McGookin, of Ireland; James, the subject of this notice; Francis, a farmer of Kentucky; John, Susan and Hugh, in Ireland.

James Morin was confirmed in the Catholic faith at the age of seven years, and it may be mentioned that at the same ceremony a gentleman, Thomas McGovern, was also confirmed at the age of 110 years. In 1851 Mr. Morin sailed from Londonderry, and after a voyage of four weeks and two days landed in New York city, whence he went to Paterson, N. J., worked for Charles Hughes in the vicinity of the city on a farm one month, and then for six months in a dye house. May 10, 1852, he left New Jersey for New York city, whence, by a circuitous route, he departed for the west and arrived in Lexington, Ky., May 24, 1852, in which



city and in its neighborhood he was employed several years building stone fences and in labor work generally until 1867, when he came to Daviess county, Ind., and purchased eighty acres of partially improved land in Harrison township, for which he deposited twenty-five dollars to bind the bargain. He then returned to Kentucky, but in a short time came back and paid for his farm in full, then made another trip to Kentucky, and finally, October 18, 1869, left Louisville and took up his permanent residence on his present fertile farm.

The marriage of Mr. Morin was solemnized by Father McMahon at Lexington, Ky., in 1860, with Miss Margaret Rodgers, who was born in Ireland in 1842, and was confirmed a Catholic at the age of fourteen years.

In politics Mr. Morin is a solid democrat and cast his first presidential vote for James Buchanan, has voted with and for his party ever since, and cast his last presidential vote for William J. Bryan and free silver.

Although Mr. Morin came to America a poor boy, he has through his industry and good management secured a competency. Aided by his devoted wife, he has accumulated 118 acres of excellent farm land, which he has placed under a good state of cultivation. As members of St. Patrick's parish they are no way chary in contributing to the support of the church, and are constant to their duty under the ministration of their beloved pastor, Rev. Charles Curran. Their more than a quarter-century's life in Daviess county has never met with aught but respect, and they are to-day among the most esteemed residents of their township.

MRS. KATHERINE MORRIS, widow of the late John I. Morris, resides with her children at No. 1733 Ruckle avenue, Indianapolis. She was born in county Waterford, Ireland, and, in 1856, came to the United States with her parents, Jeremiah and Margaret Backus. The family located in Fountain county, Ind., where the parents lived till their death. The mother of Mrs. Morris was a devout Catholic, and reared her children in accordance

with the precepts of that church. Soon after reaching this country, Mrs. Morris, her sister and two brothers, removed to Indianapolis, but Mrs. Morris is now the only one of the four living here. She was married in this city to John I. Morris, who, though not a communicant of the Catholic church, was yet in sympathy with its purposes, and was a liberal contributor to its support. He was born in Indianapolis, and his death occurred here August 13, 1897, in his fifty-fourth year. Mr. Morris was widely known as a most exemplary citizen, a kind father and husband, and his death was greatly regretted by a large circle of friends and acquaintances, beside his immediate relatives.

Mrs. Morris had two children, a son and a daughter, the latter, Helen Mary, having been for some years a student at St. Mary's of the Woods. The former, John A. Morris, is a student at St. Joseph's college at Rensselaer, Ind. Mrs. Morris is a woman devoted to her church, and is highly esteemed by all that know her.

PROF. JOHN B. MUELLER, of the public and parochial schools of Ferdinand, Ind., is a son of John B. and Magdalena (Baumgartner) Mueller, of Switzerland, in which country they passed their lives.

John B. Mueller was born May 2, 1838, and came to the United States on May 16, 1867, landing in New York. He was educated in Switzerland, and was in the Teachers' seminary for three years. On his arrival in this country he went to Ohio and worked in a general way. He then came to Richmond, Ind., and became acquainted with Rev. Father Isidor Hobbi, who induced him to locate in Dubois county in 1869, where he began teaching large boys in the common schools. He was married to Bertha Lochman, a daughter of Pergerin Lochman, of Switzerland, on November 12, 1868, at the Catholic church of Delaware, Ohio. They have two children: Frank M. Mueller, twenty-four years of age, is a graduate of the Louisville university and is now in Europe to take a course in medicine in Vienna; Martin J. Mueller, who was ordained March 20, 1894, as Father Martin, under Bishop

Chatard, of Indianapolis, was born January 19, 1870, and died at Indianapolis April 28, 1895. He attended school at St. Meinrad, and was assistant priest of St. Joseph church, Indianapolis, under Father Alerding.

REV. MARTIN J. MUELLER (deceased) was born at Ferdinand, Ind., on the 19th day of January, 1870. Shortly after his ordination at St. Meinrad's seminary, on the 26th of March, 1894, he was sent to assist the Rev. Father Hermann Alerding, in the government of St. Joseph's parish, Indianapolis. A twelve-month later, after a short and futile resistance to typhoid fever, he rendered his pure soul into the hands of the Eternal High Priest, whom he had served faithfully in the various functions and relationships of a sacerdotal career in the new law. An unconscious loveliness of disposition, which gained for him all hearts, was the leading trait in his character. "He was taken away, lest wickedness should alter his understanding, or deceit beguile his soul." "Being made perfect in a short space, he fulfilled a long time." —Wisd. iv: 11-13.

JOHN THEODORE MUG, a prominent business man of LaFayette, Ind., was born in Holland, July 28, 1836, a son of John and Margaret (Post) Mug, the former of whom was born in 1799, and the latter in 1810. The family came to America in 1853, landing in New York and coming to LaFayette without delay in August of the same year. The journey occupied 101 days, of which seventy-six were passed on the ocean. The father, who had been a tailor in the old country, a capmaker and a general merchant, made a success of his various pursuits, but his life was brought to a close soon after reaching the United States, as he died October 3, 1853—a daughter dying at the same hour with himself, and two others dying within twelve days thereafter. The widow survived until 1868, when she was called away at the age of fifty-eight years. Of the ten children born to Mr. and Mrs. Mug, three only reached mature years, viz: Joseph, who was a stove

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and tinware merchant of LaFayette, who died at the age of forty years; John T., the subject of this sketch, and Kate, who was married to John Ostendorf, and died in LaFayette, also at the age of forty years. Another daughter, born to Mr. Mug by a former marriage and named Alagonda, was married to George Ruben, of LaFayette, and also ended her days in this city, leaving the subject of this sketch the sole representative of this large and very highly respected family.

John T. Mug, our subject, began his business life as a clerk in a general store, in which he was employed three years, and later, for nine years, was in the employ of Ross Gordon. He then entered into a partnership with Frank Gaven, and under the firm name of Gaven & Mug carried on a merchant tailoring and clothing trade for a year. He then formed a business association with William H. Zinn, and under the style of Mug & Zinn conducted a wholesale and retail dry-goods store and millinery from 1865 until 1880, when, on account of overtaxed energies, Mr. Mug withdrew from business and rested for a year. He then organized a joint stock company, with a capital of \$50,000, under the title of the LaFayette Hominy mill company, which company erected a mill and Mr. Mug was elected its secretary and treasurer. The stock, however, is now all owned by our subject and his family, to wit: John T. (president); Ellen (Mrs. Mug; John F. son of John T., and vice-president); William T. (another son, secretary and treasurer), and Mary B. (a daughter).

The marriage of Mr. Mug took place October 3, 1859, to Miss Ellen Phillips, a native of Fort Wayne, Ind., and a daughter of William and Mary Phillips, the former a carpenter and builder. The felicitous union of Mr. and Mrs. Mug has been blessed with eight children, born in the following order: Mary H., who is now known as Sister Mary Theodosia, of St. Mary's of the Woods; John F., married to Sarah Doherty and the father of two children, with his residence in New York city, where he represents the LaFayette Hominy mill company, and where he is also doing business as a financial broker; Margaret, the second-eldest daughter; William T., married to Lena Buggle; Mary B.; Joseph B., married to Anna Scholtens and residing in LaFayette; George F. and Edward.

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The family are all true Catholics, and Mr. Mug is president of St. Mary's Cemetery association. In politics he is a democrat, is very popular with his party, and in 1880 was its nominee for county treasurer. He has been very successful as a business man, being naturally shrewd and intelligent, and beside his milling business is largely interested in real estate transactions. He is very generous in his contributions to the support of the church, and St. Mary's of LaFayette finds in him one of its most devoted members. In the winter of 1874-75 he was of the party of pious Catholics who made a pilgrimage to Rome, being three months gone, but with this exception he has remained in LaFayette since his first coming. He and family are highly esteemed in the society circles of the city, and as a business man his name stands without a stain.

REV. D. J. MULCAHY, the able and pious pastor of St. Mary's church at Anderson, Madison county, Ind., was born in Greenock, Scotland, May 7, 1860, and was brought to the United States in 1863 by his parents, who located in Cleveland, Ohio. His early education was acquired in the parochial schools of that city, and he next entered Mount St. Mary's seminary, Cincinnati, Ohio, in September, 1873, and finished his classical education in June, 1879; he entered St. Mary's seminary, Cleveland, in September, 1879, whence he went to the Salesianum, at Milwaukee, Wis., in April, 1883, and there pursued his studies until March 8, 1884, when he was ordained at Fort Wayne, Ind., by Right Rev. Joseph Dwenger. He was first assigned as assistant to Rev. E. P. Walters, of St. Mary's church, LaFayette, Ind., where he remained from March 19, 1884, until August 20, from which date until October 22, 1886, he officiated as pastor at Lebanon, Ind.; he was next transferred to Grass Creek, Ind., where he officiated from November 1, 1886, until May 1, 1891, when he was installed in his present important position as pastor of St. Mary's church at Anderson, Ind., and here assumed his pastoral duties May 7, with the important results detailed in the sketch of that church in another part of this work.

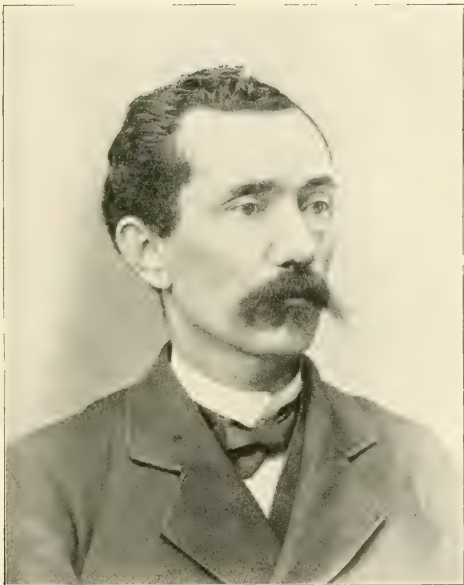
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Edward, foreman of an iron foundry; Michael, deceased; Matthew, twin of Michael; Harry, an operator in the employ of the Western Union Telegraph company at Indianapolis, and four that died in infancy.

John P. Mullally was educated in a parochial school, learned the machinist's trade, and later traveled for five years through the United States and Canada as manager for an advertising agency. In 1891 he returned to Indianapolis and formed a partnership with Alonzo Chapman in the jewelry business, but at the close of two years purchased his partner's interest, and has since carried on the business on his sole account, doing a most excellent trade. Mr. Mullally is still unmarried. He is a member of St. John's church, of the Knights of St. John, of the Young Men's institute and of the Celtic club. His business standing is first class, and as a citizen holds the respect of all who have known him in his native city and elsewhere.

**W**ILLIAM DILLON TOBIN, late a prominent attorney of Indianapolis, the Capital city, was a native of county Clare, Ireland, and was born on the sixth day of January, 1846. He was brought to the United States in childhood by his parents, who first located at Hagerstown, Ind., and later at Fordville, in which town he grew to maturity. After receiving his literary education, Mr. Tobin decided to make the legal profession his life work, and after thoroughly preparing himself for the same, was duly admitted to the bar. He practiced successfully in the courts of Indianapolis, where his legal abilities won him a high standing among his professional brethren, and, at different times, he was honored by his party, the republican, of which he was an active supporter, with positions of trust and responsibility. He was once a candidate for the office of district judge, and again for representative to the state legislature, but his party being in the minority he both times failed of election.

He was married at Fordville, Ind., to Miss Mary Thomas, daughter of Levi and Elizabeth Frazier Thomas, and became the



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father of three children, viz: Alice, Gertrude and Thomas L., all of whom were educated in St. Patrick's academy, Indianapolis.

After an honorable and useful career as a citizen, a lawyer and devoted member of the church, in which he was reared from infancy, Mr. Tobin departed this life on the twenty-sixth day of November, 1887. Kindly and considerate, with a nature characterized by good will to all men, he was loved and respected, and will long be remembered by his fellow-citizens. Mrs. Tobin was reared a Protestant, but subsequent to her marriage was converted to the Catholic faith, and is to-day a most devoted member of St. Patrick's parish. She belongs to the Altar society, and is sparing no pains in rearing her children to become useful servants of the Holy church.

Levi Thomas, father of Mrs. Tobin, was a native of the state of New York, and his wife of Indiana. He was a farmer by occupation and died in 1895. Mrs. Thomas preceded her husband to the grave, dying July 23, 1875. Their family consisted of ten children, five sons and five daughters—only three of whom are now living. The names of the children are as follows: Amzi W., Alva F., William F., Mary (Mrs. Tobin), Irving B., Emeline, Otis F., Ella, Hattie and Clara. Amzi and William, both attorneys, are living in Seymour, N. Dak., and Sioux City, Iowa, respectively. All of the deceased members of the family, except Emeline, who died at the age of four, attained the years of maturity.

JAMES MULLIN, doing business at the southwest corner of Missouri and Merrill streets, Indianapolis, was born in county Mayo, Ireland, June 8, 1858, a son of Thomas and Sarah (Stanson) Mullin, the former of whom was a farmer and died in his native county of Mayo at about sixty-five years of age; the mother, now about seventy-nine years old, still resides on the old farm on which James, the subject of this biographical sketch, was born, she also being a native of county Mayo. There were born to these parents five sons and five daughters, and of these ten children there are seven still living, viz: Michael, Thomas and

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Sarah, in Ireland, and John, Kate, Bridget and James, in America. Of these, Kate is the wife of James Finn, a dairyman, and Bridget is married to Thomas Wickens, a farmer of North Vernon, Ind.

James Mullin passed his earlier years as a farm hand in Ireland and England, and in 1881 he came to America. His first employment here was with the Sisters of the Good Shepherd at Indianapolis, for whom he worked one summer, and then for six years was employed by the Sisters of St. Mary of the Woods, near Terre Haute. He was then variously employed, chiefly as a laborer, until he erected his present building for a dwelling and business purposes, and opened up November 16, 1897, since when he has done an excellent trade.

Mr. Mullin was united in marriage, November 25, 1896, at St. John's church, by Rev. Father O'Brien, to Miss Celia Sullivan, a native of county Mayo, Ireland, and daughter of Peter and Mary (McDonald) Sullivan. Peter Sullivan is now deceased, having died in Indianapolis, a true Catholic; his widow has her home on Missouri street, and is a pious and highly respected lady. Mr. and Mrs. Mullin are members of St. John's congregation, under the ministration of Rev. Father Gavisk, and are good and faithful Catholics. In politics Mr. Mullin is a democrat, but has never been an office seeker. His place of business is tidy and clean, and is conducted strictly under the rules of propriety and good order, and no man in the business enjoys a higher degree of respect and popularity than he.

**J**OHN FRANCIS MULLEN, cashier of the department of second-class mail matter in the Indianapolis post-office, is a native of this city, was born in June, 1854, and is of Irish parentage.

Roger Mullen, father of John Francis, was born in county Galway, but in early manhood came to America, and at Madison, Ind., married Miss Hanora Quinn, who was born in the same county with himself; but in Madison was consummated the marriage to which they had plighted their faith in the old country. In 1850 he came to Indianapolis, where he followed his vocation of contractor and brickmaker, and rendered much valuable service

toward developing the struggling young city, but was not destined to become a witness to its phenomenal growth, as he was called away by death in 1861, while still a comparatively young man. His widow survived him thirty-four years, dying December 8, 1895. Roger and Hanora Mullen were blessed with four children, viz: Thomas, Rosana (who died in childhood), John Francis and Sarah E.; the survivors still reside at the old home, No. 514 Dougherty street, being still unmarried.

John Francis Mullen was educated under competent tutors in the parochial schools of the Catholic church, and this training was supplemented by a course in the public schools. At an early age he was apprenticed to the printing business in the office of the Indianapolis Journal, and most of his time has been passed in the offices of the Indianapolis Journal and Sentinel and the St. Louis Republican, but he has always claimed Indianapolis as his home. During the legislative session of 1893-94, he filled the position of assistant doorkeeper in the house of representatives, and in April, 1894, was appointed to his present responsible position in the city post-office, which came to him unsolicited on his part.

Mr. Mullen and his sister, Miss Sarah E., are especially devout members of St. Patrick's church, under the pastorate of the Very Rev. D. O'Donaghue. Though not physically strong, Mr. Mullen is closely attentive to his official duties. His deportment is marked by a genial and cordial manner, which, coupled with an upright and honorable course of life, renders him companionable in the highest sense.

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**M**ATTHIAS MUELLER, of Richmond, Ind., was born in Hanover, Germany, September 11, 1859, son of Henry and Lizzie Mueller. Henry Mueller, also a native of Hanover, was born in the year 1825. He was married in St. Jacob's church, Hanover, Germany, by Father Rupker, in the year 1852, to Lizzie Wolteman, who bore him four children: Henry, deceased; Mary, wife of Martin Adekamp; Katie, wife of Ben. Needham, and Matthias, whose name introduces this sketch. Henry Mueller by occupation was a carpenter, which calling he followed successfully

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until his arrival in Baltimore, Md., in 1883, whence he came direct to Richmond, Ind., where he remained until his death, which occurred in the year 1889.

Matthias Mueller attended what was known as the St. Jacob's school in his native country until his thirteenth year, then entered upon an apprenticeship to learn the shoemaker's trade, which he completed, afterward working at his chosen calling until his arrival in the United States. He came at once to Indiana, locating in the city of Richmond, where, for a period of four years, he was in the employ of Gaar, Scott & Co., manufacturers of boilers. Later he severed his connection with the aforesaid firm and opened a sample room in Richmond, which he conducts at this time. On the 22nd day of April, 1890, Mr. Mueller entered into the marriage relation with Miss Anna Beckshultee, the ceremony being solemnized according to the prescribed form of the Holy Catholic church, Father Seiberts officiating. One child has come to gladden the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mueller: Lena, who is a student of St. Andrew's school. Mr. Mueller and family are members of St. Andrew's parish, Richmond, and, he is an active worker in the St. Joseph society.

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THOMAS MULVINE, doing business at No. 165 West Michigan street, Indianapolis, Ind., is a native of county Galway, Ireland, born November 4, 1869. He is a son of William and Sarah (Wall) Mulvine, both natives of the same county, in which the mother still lives and in which the father lies buried, having died in October, 1884, his age at the time being about seventy. The mother is now about seventy-five, is in good health and in comfortable circumstances, living with her son, Patrick. She and her husband were the parents of six sons and two daughters, only one of whom has died. The names of the children are as follows: Mary, now wife of John Greeley, in Ireland; Patrick, named above as taking care of his mother; Michael, John, William; Thomas J., the subject of this sketch; Maggie and James, all in the United States except Mary and Patrick. Michael is in the west, and is an employee of the Western Union Telegraph company, the last thir-

teen years having been spent in this way: John is employed at Kingan's packing house; William died April 12, 1895, in young manhood, and the subject succeeded to his business; Maggie is now Mrs. Patrick Joyce, and resides at Haughville; James is a resident of Kansas City, Mo.

Thomas J. Mulvine, the subject of this sketch, came alone to the United States in 1888, landing in this country on the 18th of June, and coming directly to Indianapolis, where for three years he was employed by the National Malleable Castings company in Haughville. The next four years were spent in Armour's packing house in Chicago, and he has been two years in business where he is now located. Mr. Mulvine is unmarried and is a member of St. Anthony's church, which is under the pastoral charge of Rev. Father Dowd. He is also a member of the Young Men's institute and of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and of the Celtic club. Politically he is a democrat, but not a seeker after office. He is a young man of fine business attainments and qualifications and is highly esteemed by all who know him.

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JOSEPH F. MUNDI, retired farmer and a resident of Huntingburg, Dubois county, Ind., is a son of Serfine and Martha (Realy) Mundi, natives of Germany, but who early came to America. Both parents are dead, the father being ninety-one years of age at his decease.

Joseph F. Mundi was born November 23, 1843, was reared on a farm in Dubois county, attended common schools, and at the age of twenty-one years enlisted in the One Hundred and Forty-third regiment, Indiana volunteer infantry, under Capt. P. Cooke, and served one year. He then returned to Jasper, Dubois county, and remained one year; then came to Huntingburg, and here he has remained ever since. He was married, by Rev. Fidelis Maute, June 16, 1868, to Miss Elizabeth Kiefer, a native of Dubois county, born November 11, 1848, and this marriage has been blessed with ten children, viz: Edward M., Leonard G., August J., Florentine J., Sophia B., Mena K., Frona M., Walberger G.,

Elizabeth M. and Matilda M., all of whom were confirmed by the Right Bishop Chatard. The family are members of St. Mary's church and are highly-respected throughout the county of Dubois and elsewhere. In politics, Mr. Mundi is a republican.

MARTIN JAMES MURPHY, a representative member of St. Joseph's parish, Indianapolis, was born in Madison, Ind., October 25, 1853. His parents were Martin and Catherine Murphy, natives of Galway, Ireland. They were reared in their native county and came to America in their early life, locating in Madison, Ind., in which city they were married and were residents a number of years. Subsequently they removed to Kentucky, where the father was for some years engaged as foreman in railroad construction. In about 1872, Mr. Murphy came to Indianapolis and was here employed by the I. & B. W. railroad company until his death, which was caused by accident in the yards of the company, in 1875; his wife is also deceased.

Martin and Catherine Murphy left four children, three sons and a daughter, the subject of this sketch being the eldest of the family. John, the next of the brothers, is running an engine on the L. & N. railway; Daniel is a railroad conductor and resides in the city of Mexico; the sister is Mrs. Mary Draper, of Indianapolis.

Martin James Murphy came to Indianapolis from Madison in 1870, and was engaged with the Indianapolis Sarven Wheel company for about three years. He then went to St. Louis, Mo., where he was employed in a foundry for some time, but, returning to Indianapolis, engaged in railroading for five years. He was variously employed until 1887, at which time he entered the county auditor's office as deputy, where he remained six years. He next engaged in the undertaking business, under the firm name of Collier & Murphy, of which firm he is still a member. For a time Mr. Murphy gave his whole attention to the last-mentioned occupation, and then, leaving it largely in the hands of his partner, he accepted a position in the county treasurer's office and later became deputy city comptroller, an office he occupied until Novem-

ber 1, 1897, when he once more resumed his undertaking business, to which he now devotes his entire attention. Mr. Murphy has been twice married. His first wife was Mary Sullivan, and his present wife was Miss Bridget Sharkey. He has two children by his first marriage, Mary and Nora, and a son, Leon, by his present wife.

Mr. Murphy is recognized as a worthy Catholic citizen. He is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and also belongs to the Y. M. I. and C. K. of A.

**P**ATRICK MURPHY, at No. 461 West Washington street, Indianapolis, was born in county Galway, Ireland, March 8, 1864. He is a son of John and Mary (Carnelly) Murphy, natives of the same county, in which they still reside. They are the parents of nine children, all of whom are still living it is believed, the eldest being the only one in doubt, and he is supposed to be a sailor, but has not been heard from for seven years. Patrick, the subject, is the second in order of birth; Michael is still living in Ireland; John is engaged in business in Indianapolis, and is married; Thomas is still in Ireland, as is also James; Mary, a widow, is living in Indianapolis, and Maggie lives with her parents.

Patrick Murphy, the subject of this sketch, came alone to the United States in 1882, locating in Indianapolis in 1883. From that time on until 1891 he was in the employ of the Kingan Packing company in Indianapolis, and in that year he became engaged in his present business. He is still unmarried. He is a member of the Improved Order of the Knights of Pythias, and is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, as is also his brother John. Politically Mr. Murphy is independent, working and voting for men, instead of for measures or political parties. He is a popular young man, has many friends and is a successful manager. Patrick and John are the only male members of this family who have come to the United States. Both are industrious and honorable members of society, are good citizens and are highly thought of by all that know them.

PROF. MICHAEL W. MURPHY, the principal and owner of the Logansport, Ind., Commercial High school, and a member of St. Vincent de Paul church, is a son of Patrick A. and Anna L. (Gaynor) Murphy, natives of Ireland, who came to America when young and were married in Huntington, Ind., where Prof. Michael W. Murphy was born October 2, 1867. In 1874 the parents removed to Rockfield, Carroll county, Ind., where the father became and still is foreman of a section on the Wabash railroad. The father has two brothers also in America, one of whom, Thomas, is a railroad man in Chicago, and the other, Michael, is foreman over a force of men who are employed in laying pipes in the streets of Huntington. Patrick A. Murphy and wife have had born to them, besides the professor, four other children, viz: Mary C., Anna L., Bessie M. and Genevieve, all still under the parental roof.

Prof. Michael W. Murphy graduated from the high school of Rockfield in 1886; but in the meanwhile had attended Hall's Business college at Logansport, Ind., making daily trips by railroad for that purpose, and had taken instruction by mail from the Phonographic institute of Cincinnati, Ohio—receiving a diploma from the former and a certificate from the latter, and giving his first lessons in shorthand to a private class in Rockfield. After graduating from the high school, with the second-best grade in the county, he began teaching in the country schools, and in 1888 became a teacher in the graded schools of Rockfield, where he gave instruction for four years in different departments.

In October, 1891, Prof. Murphy was united in marriage with Miss Maudella G. Wilson, daughter of Charles Y. Wilson, a farmer of Carroll county, and this union has been blessed with two children, viz: Marie Breining, born October 19, 1892, and Bernard Russell, born November 6, 1893. After marriage, the professor resided on a farm in Carroll county until February, 1897, when he came to Logansport and became an instructor of shorthand in Hall's Business college, but resigned his position in the fall of the same year to found, in partnership with J. W. Hooke, the Logansport Commercial High school, in which is given a much broader and deeper course of study than that of the ordinary business college. In the



fall of 1898, Mr. Murphy purchased the interest of Mr. Hooke in the Commercial High school, and now owns the entire institution. He also bought, in the fall of 1898, the Michael's Business college and consolidated the two. His school is located in the Magee block, on Fourth street.

The professor and family are devout Catholics, Mrs. Murphy being a convert to the faith, and own a very pleasant home at No. 628 Bringham street, Logansport, where they enjoy the unreserved respect of all their neighbors.

**J**OHAN MURPHY, a retired merchant and capitalist of Washington, Daviess county, Ind., is a native of this city, was born October 13, 1823, and is a son of John and Ellen (Campbell) Murphy, natives of the city of Cork, Ireland.

John Murphy, father of subject, was a son of Michael Murphy, a miller of Cork. John was educated and married in his native city, and about 1816 came alone to America and engaged in the currying business, in Troy, N. Y., until 1821, when his wife and three children came and joined him. The family then went to Louisville, Ky., and after a short stay in that city came to Washington, Ind., and here followed tanning a number of years and then opened a general store. He was appointed postmaster during the administration of President Jackson, and held the office until his death, which occurred in 1836, in Vincennes, whither he had gone on a visit to St. Patrick's college. His widow survived him until October, 1868. They were the parents of eight children, viz: Michael, Hannah, Ann and Mary, all deceased; John, our subject; Ellen, widow of Dr. Barton, Edward and William, also deceased.

John Murphy, the subject proper of this biographical notice, attended school in Washington until about fourteen years of age, when his father died, leaving his business in charge of his son Michael, for whom John at once became an assistant, and so remained until sixteen years of age, when he became a clerk in a general store, continuing as such until twenty-two years old, when he embarked in the same class of trade on his own account, and

this he followed with unvarying success until 1882, when he retired, possessed of an ample competency, and has since devoted his attention to the care of his realty interests in Washington and elsewhere.

The marriage of Mr. Murphy took place in Cumberland, Md., June 15, 1869, to Miss Harriet Taylor, a native of that city, born December 11, 1838, a daughter of William and Lavinia (Hill) Taylor, natives also of Maryland. The father of this lady was of old colonial English descent, was a saddler by trade, and was the head of a highly respected family in his native state. Mr. and Mrs. Murphy are devout members of St. Simon's congregation, of which, since 1885, Mr. Murphy has been treasurer and had charge of the funds when the new church-edifice was erected, and of which Mrs. Murphy is a member of the Altar society. Mr. Murphy has been wonderfully successful as a business man, and stands very high in the esteem of his fellow-citizens.

**PATRICK L. MURPHY**, engineer of company No. 8, Indianapolis city fire department, was born in Dundas, Canada, March 17, 1855, a son of Maurice and Bridget (Griffin) Murphy, natives of county Kerry, Ireland, where they were married and at once crossed the ocean to Canada, in 1854, where they resided until 1866, when they came to Indianapolis, where the mother died in 1885 and the father in 1896, both true and faithful Catholics, and the parents of nine children, of whom Patrick L. was the second born and the eldest son.

Patrick L. Murphy, after coming to Indianapolis, attended St. Patrick's school for a time, then aided his father in the gravel roofing business, and next, for nine years, was employed in railroading. Being an athlete and fond of manly sports, he early united with base-ball companies and made a special mark on the diamond with the clubs with which he was attached. His first play was with the club at Birmingham, Ala., one season; his next season was with the Minneapolis club, and while with that team signed with the St. Paul club at a material advance in salary. He played one full season in Washington, D. C., as a member of the club of that city. During

his various engagements he traveled extensively throughout the United States, visiting nearly every city east of Denver, Colo. On the consolidation of the National league with the American association he retired from the field and returned to Indianapolis.

In August, 1894, Mr. Murphy was appointed to a position in the city fire department and served with several companies until, during his "day off," on one occasion he volunteered to go to a fire, and while performing effective work at the same sustained a severe injury—breaking his shoulder and forearm and receiving a serious scalp wound. For several weeks following he was confined for treatment in St. Vincent's hospital, and on recovery, perhaps in recognition of his daring, he was appointed to his present position.

Mr. Murphy was united in marriage, at St. Patrick's parochial home, to Miss Mary McBride, a native of Covington, Ky. This lady was a Protestant in religion, but was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic faith at her death, which took place in this city, her remains being interred in Crown Hill cemetery, and the funeral rites being performed by Rev. Father Quigley (now deceased), at St. Patrick's church. One daughter, Bessie, now twelve years of age, was the result of this union, and is now attending school in this city. Mr. Murphy is a member of St. Joseph's church, and is dutiful in his religious observances. In politics he is a democrat, but is not offensively partisan, and, being of a jovial, whole-souled nature, has hosts of warm-hearted friends.

JOHN A. NEES, an old pioneer of Dearborn county, and hotel-keeper at Aurora, is a son of Thomas and Eva (Parr) Nees, natives of Germany. The father was a farmer until his death, which took place in Germany, March 15, 1842, and in that country the mother also passed away, in 1846.

John A. Nees is one of six children, was born November 2, 1829, was reared on his parents' farm, was educated in the common schools, and at the age of seventeen years came to America with the Wolbert family of Germany, passing as their son, in

order that he might cross the ocean. Mr. Nees engaged, on his arrival in America, in the cooper trade near Cincinnati for two years, but left on account of the cholera epidemic and went to New Richmond, Ohio, and worked for fifteen years. He then taught a Catholic school, and was the organist in St. Peter's church for five years. He then located in Aurora, Ind., on the 27th of August, 1867, and engaged in the grocery, hotel and saloon business, and has thus continued ever since. He built his present place—hotel, grocery and saloon, all connected—in 1876, at a cost of \$10,000, the hotel containing twenty-seven rooms.

May 31, 1852, Mr. Nees was married to Miss Amelia Koch, a daughter of William J. Koch, and to this union have been born fifteen children, of whom four are deceased. The survivors are named Amelia, Thomas, Helen, Frank, William, John (who is manager for his father), Josephina, Emma, Henry, Anna and Helen. All of these, with their parents, are members of the Catholic church. Mr. Nees was one of the first to organize the St. Joseph Benevolent society, and the family is one of the most highly respected in the city of Aurora and county of Dearborn. Mr. Nees for thirteen years was leader of the choir and organist at St. Mary's church.

**PATRICK NAUGHTON**, engaged in business at No. 701 West New York street, Indianapolis, was born in county Galway, Ireland, January 29, 1863. His parents were James and Nora (Kenney) Naughton, also natives of county Galway, where they still reside, the father being a government contractor. Of the children born to them, Mary is a nun in Ireland; Michael is successfully mining gold in Australia; Thomas and Mathew are farmers in Ireland; Bridget is in the church work in Ireland, and James, a lad of fourteen years, is at home; Andrew and Edward died in infancy.

Patrick Naughton came to America June 21, 1884, landing at New York, and came to Indianapolis in October of the same year and has been employed at Kingan's packing house most of the time since.

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Mr. Naughton was married in Hendricks county, Ind., June 20, 1894, by Rev. Father Powers, to Miss Mary Quinn, a native of that county, born of Irish parents (Michael and Bridget Quinn), the father being a farmer. Mr. Naughton is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Celtic club, and is in politics a democrat. Mr. and Mrs. Naughton are members of St. John's church, and Mrs. Naughton is a member of St. John's Altar society.

Mr. Naughton's family in Ireland are very active and devoted members of the church, two of his mother's sisters being nuns in a convent in Galway; his own sister is also a nun. Being the only known representative of his family in America he takes a just pride in recounting these facts of family history. Mr. Naughton is a young man of prepossessing appearance, is a splendid specimen of physical manhood, and is a man of temperate habits and good morals. He engaged in his present business March 21, 1894, conducts his place in a most orderly manner, and is popular with all classes of society.

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JOHN MURRAY, of No. 901 Virginia avenue, Indianapolis, was born in county Donegal, Ireland, May 15, 1854, and is a son of Charles and Grace (Sweeney) Murray, natives of the same county, and who came to America shortly before the outbreak of the Civil war. The father, enamored of freedom and opposed to everything that found favor with England, who longed for the success of the rebels, at once enlisted in company A, Thirty-fifth Indiana volunteer infantry, and was fatally wounded at the battle of Stone River, January 2, 1863, having been promoted just prior to receiving his death wound. A comrade who stood beside him at the time vouches for his gallantry in action, and the fact that he had been promoted is further evidence that he was a brave and faithful soldier. His wife died in Indianapolis while he was in the service, leaving two children, of whom John, the subject of this article, is the elder. Mary Agnes, the daughter, found a protection in the person of an uncle, James Renihan, an undertaker of Indi-

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anapolis, with whom she lived until her death, in the Catholic faith, February 18, 1892, at the age of thirty-five years.

John Murray did not come to the United States with the family, but lived with his maternal grandfather, a grocer in the village of Dunfanaghy, county Donegal, and acquired some knowledge of business, and also acquired an education in the National school. He came to America in 1874, settled in Indianapolis, and found employment as bookkeeper for an old family friend, Dominick Coll, of whom more information may be found in the biography of Dennis Coll. At the death of Mr. Coll Mr. Murray purchased the business from the widow, and has been in business on his own account since 1877, for a few years keeping the St. Charles hotel on North Illinois street.

The marriage of Mr. Murray took place at St. John's cathedral, March 4, 1889, to Miss Kate Curran, Rev. Father Gavisk officiating. Miss Curran was born May 15, 1870, in county Kerry, Ireland, a daughter of Timothy and Nellie (White) Curran, who still reside in their country, the father being a farmer. Mr. and Mrs. Curran were the parents of eight children, viz: Mary, who died at the age of twelve years; Patrick, checkman at the Big Four depot, Indianapolis; John, a tailor in Ireland; Dennis is a resident of New Haven, Conn.; Mrs. Murray is next in order of birth; Michael died in Ireland at the age of twenty-two years; Nora and Timothy are still at home with their parents. To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Murray have been born three children, in the following order: Charles James, May 15, 1890; Grace Mary, April 14, 1892, and John Joseph, April 22, 1894. The family are members of St. Patrick's church, and Mr. Murray is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. In politics he is a democrat and an active worker in the interests of his party, and is a genial, warm-hearted gentleman, and one of the most popular in his line of business in the city of Indianapolis.

**T**HOMAS NEES, of Lawrenceburg, Ind., is a son of John and Amelia (Koch) Nees, the former a native of Germany, who came to the United States in 1847, and the latter a native of Amer-

ica, and both now reside in Aurora, Ind., where the father conducts a hotel. He was a school-teacher in Ohio for several years.

Thomas Nees was born in New Richmond, Ohio, September 8, 1858; he attended the common schools, and also the Cincinnati Business college, and at the age of twenty-five years engaged in business in Pittsburg, Pa., where he lived for several years. In 1889 he opened business in Lawrenceburg for himself—hotel, restaurant, bar and coal yard—the last under the name of the Lawrenceburg Coal company, which is doing the largest business in its line in the city.

Mr. Nees was married to Susan A. Pelgen, a daughter of Fred and Clara Pelgen, of Indiana, and this union has been blessed with three children: Amelia C., Fred J. and Aloysius T. All are members of St. Lawrence's Catholic church, and in politics Mr. Nees is a democrat, and, as such, has filled several county offices as assistant, being very popular with his party as well as with the general public.

THOMAS HENRY NEILAN, superintendent of the Indianapolis Sanitary company, is a native of Hamilton, Butler county, Ohio, and was born October 26, 1857, a son of Henry and Rose (McGleim) Neilan, both natives of county Roscommon, Ireland, but married in New York city about 1849.

Henry Neilan, during most of his early life in America was a railroad employee, but for the last thirty-five years prior to his death lived in retirement in Hamilton, Ohio, in which city he and wife passed in peace away in the faith of the Catholic church. They reared a family of nine children that had blessed their marriage, and beside these also reared three orphans. Their own offspring were named, in order of birth, Margaret, Sarah, Katie, Alice, Myrtie, Charles, William, Edward and Thomas H., and the wards were Edward, John and Helen. Two sisters and one brother of Thomas Henry are still living, of whom Margaret (now Mrs. Ryan), lives in Las Vegas, N. M.; the others reside in Hamilton. With one exception, all the above-named family reached the years of maturity.

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Thomas H. Neilan was educated in the public and parochial schools of his native city, and then served an apprenticeship at the machinist's trade, which he followed for fourteen years. He came to Indianapolis in 1876, and in 1892 was appointed dupty sheriff of Marion county by the then democratic sheriff, and later for two years was an employee in the office of the board of health. November 1, 1897, he was appointed to his present position, which, up to the present time, he has filled with credit to himself and to the satisfaction of the public.

The marriage of Mr. Neilan was solemnized September 19, 1894, at St. John's cathedral, Indianapolis, by Rev. Father Weber, to Miss Bridget McManaman, a native of North Vernon, Ind., and this union has been blessed with one son—Robert Lee, born July 5, 1895. The family are members of St. John's congregation, under the ministration of Rev. Father Gavisk, and although Mr. Neilan is not a member of the church sodalities or any close societies, he is a true Catholic, contributes freely to the support of the church, and is highly respected by his fellow-citizens—church members or not church members.

**R**OBERT R. WALDEN, a well-known traveling salesman and also proprietor of a hardware store in Indianapolis, was born in Putnam county, Ind., in 1843, a son of William and Rachel Theresa (Ingram) Walden, natives, respectively, of Ohio and Tennessee, and in religion Protestants.

Mr. Walden was reared to manhood in his native county, and at the age of twenty years enlisted in company I, Fifty-fifth Indiana volunteer infantry. After filling out his term of enlistment he located in Terre Haute, Ind., where he was employed by an express company until 1867, when he went to Evansville, where he was engaged in the same capacity for two years, and then entered upon his career as traveling salesman for George S. Sonntag & Co. - In June, 1869, he came to Indianapolis, having made arrangements with Layman, Carey & Co., wholesale hardware merchants, to take the road in their interest, and up to the pres-





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ent time has given the utmost satisfaction as salesman. Mr. Walden has also established a hardware store on East Washington street, over which his son, Robert W., has the supervision.

The sacrament of matrimony was administered to Mr. Walden October 15, 1868, at Evansville, Ind., when he was united with Miss Margaret Brennan, by the Rev. Patrick McDermott, but the crowning sacrament of his life did not occur until 1883, when he was baptized October 14, by Rev. Father Lambert, and admitted to communion in the holy Catholic church. Mrs. Walden was born in county Carlow, Ireland, a daughter of Patrick and Mary Brennan, and was a child of four years when brought to America by her parents, who settled in Watertown, N. Y., where they passed the remainder of their lives. They had a large family of children, of whom two sons and three daughters are still living. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Walden has been blessed with two children, viz: Mary, who is the wife of Thomas Flaherty and has one child, Margaret, and Robert W., who has charge of his father's hardware store on East Washington street.

Robert R. Walden is the financial secretary of St. Patrick's branch, No. 563, Catholic Knights of America; is president of the Commercial Travelers' Mutual Accident Insurance association, and a member of the Commercial Travelers' association of Indiana. Mr. and Mrs. Walden have a pleasant home at No. 1150 Olive street, are blessed with the material comforts of life, and are numbered among the most esteemed Catholic citizens of the parish of St. Patrick.

**J**OHAN M. NEUMAN, member of the gents' furnishing goods firm at Shelbyville, Ind., was born in Franklin county, this state, March 22, 1858, a son of John and Elizabeth (Biltz) Neuman, natives of Germany, who came to the United States in 1848, and settled in Franklin county, where the father was engaged in agricultural pursuits until his death, which occurred in 1858, and where the widow died in 1892, both in the faith of the Catholic church, and the parents of three children, viz: Mary, wife of

George Dudley, of Indianapolis; Joseph, deceased, and John M., whose name opens this paragraph.

John M. Neuman attended public school until thirteen years old and then worked on a farm until eighteen; he chose clerking as his vocation for gaining a livelihood, and continued to follow the calling in various kinds of business until 1895, when he engaged in his present business in Shelbyville, and at the same year admitted as partners George Hock and his father, Joseph Hock, the firm style being Neuman, Hock & Co.

Mr. Neuman was united in marriage in Shelbyville, September 10, 1884, to Miss Frances A. Hirshauer, who was born in Shelby county, October 4, 1863, and this congenial union has been blessed with four children, viz: Rosa F., George J., Marguerite E. and William J. The family are members of St. Joseph's congregation, of which Mr. Neuman is a trustee, and he is also a member of the Knights of St. John. In politics he is a democrat. He has been very successful as a business man, and through his urbanity and upright dealing has made many warm friends in Shelbyville, who hold him in high esteem.

**W**ILLIAM HENRY NIBLICK, president of the Old Adams County bank, of Decatur, is a native of this city and dates his birth from the 19th of March, 1855. His father, Jesse Niblick, was born in Tuscarawas county, Ohio, August 12, 1826, and in early life was apprenticed to learn the shoemaker's trade. Subsequently he was engaged for some time in the manufacture of boots and shoes at Decatur, Ind., where he also carried on the mercantile and grain business for a number of years. He was a man of local prominence, served as treasurer of Adams county two terms, in addition to which he filled the office of township trustee, and represented his ward in the common council of Decatur. In 1871 he founded the Adams County bank, which was reorganized four years later as a state bank, serving as its first president, afterward filling the offices of vice-president and director. He was married in Decatur, in 1851, to Miss Catherine Closs, Father Edward M.

Faller officiating, and became the father of eight children, viz: John, William Henry, Jesse, James K., Mary, Amelia, Charles S. and Daniel M., all living with the exception of Jesse. Mr. Niblick's death occurred on the 6th day of October, 1895.

William Henry Niblick, the immediate subject of this sketch, was reared in Decatur and attended the parochial and public schools of the city until his sixteenth year, at which early age he entered the Adams County bank as assistant cashier. He discharged the duties of the position in a very efficient manner until 1883, from which time until 1894 he was cashier, and upon the reorganization of the bank, August 1, of the latter year, became its president, in which capacity he still serves. Mr. Niblick is justly considered one of the foremost business men of Decatur; his well-known integrity and the interest he takes in all matters having for their object the material advancement of his city have won for him an enviable place in the estimation of his fellow-citizens.

On the 7th of November, 1883, in St. Mary's church, Decatur, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Niblick and Miss Christina R. Miller, the ceremony being performed by Father Wilken. Mr. and Mrs. Niblick have one son, Jesse G. Mr. Niblick was for many years a trustee of the parish of St. Mary's, and for a period of sixteen years held the office of secretary of the church. He was elected a member of the common council of Decatur in 1887, and has filled the position by successive re-elections to the present time.

**J**OHAN NICKOLS, cashier and partner of the Batesville Coffin Manufactory company, is one of eight children born to Frank F. and Mary (Bittner) Nickols, natives of Germany, who came to the United States in 1847, located in Cincinnati for a few years, and then moved to Dearborn county, Ind., in 1850, where the father was a brewer and farmer. The father was born in October, 1816, and died September 10, 1896; the mother was born September 18, 1818, and died in 1893, August 10. Our subject was born December 1, 1850, attended common schools, and at the age of twenty-one engaged in the blacksmith business, and worked at that

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eighteen years. He entered his present business in 1884, and has been cashier ever since, except one year, when Joseph Spiegel was cashier, but is now president of the manufactory. John Nickols was married to Miss Eva Disser, a daughter of Peter and Margnerite Disser. They have four children: William P., Bertha L., Alva M. and Lawrence. The family are all members of the Catholic church, and Mr. Nickols is a democrat in politics. Mr. Nickols has always been an excellent business man, as well as an industrious one, and has risen to his present responsible position of trust through his personal merits. His name is respected wherever it is known, and he and family are recognized in the best social circles of Batesville and the surrounding country.

LEOPOLD NIERMANN, the fashionable merchant tailor of LaFayette, Ind., was born in Baden, Germany, February 28, 1850, a son of Henry and Elizabeth (Gehring) Niermann, who came to the United States in 1853, and settled in LaFayette. Here the father pursued his trade of tailoring until his death, which occurred in 1874, at the age of seventy years, his wife dying March 3, 1897, when seventy-six years old, both being sincere Catholics. Their three children were born and named in the following order: Leopold; Mary Louisa (now Sister Dominica), a teacher in Frostburg, Md., and Mary Elizabeth, who died unmarried in 1882. The father was the only member of his family who came to America, but the mother had four brothers and two married sisters who came to this country and found their homes in the western states.

Leopold Niermann received a good education in St. Boniface parochial school, LaFayette, and in 1864 entered a store as errand boy, but subsequently became clerk and bookkeeper. In 1880 he learned cutting, and the same year engaged in the merchant tailoring business on his personal account. In 1885 he married Miss Josephine Kinsman, who was born in San Francisco, Cal., a daughter of Lewis B. Kinsman, a grocer, and this marriage has been blessed with one child—Mary Elizabeth—who was born October 23, 1896.

In politics Mr. Niermann is a democrat, but contents himself with the simple exercise of his franchise at the polls, in favor of the nominees of his party, without any ambition for office-holding on his own part. In religion he is a devoted Catholic and with his wife and child belongs to St. Boniface congregation. He has been trustee of his church four years, is a member of St. Joseph Benevolent society and St. Boniface church society, and for four years has been secretary and treasurer of the St. Joseph Cemetery association, and is an energetic worker in all the corporations with which he has a connection. He has made his fortune through his good management and thrift, and is now the owner of his place of business, as well as his home at No. 137 Ferry street and a farm near the city.

**H**ENRY NIESSE, who is living in retirement on a snug, neat little homestead of twenty-two and three-quarters acres just north of the city of Madison, Ind., on the Michigan road, is a son of Anthony and Mary (Niehaus) Niesse, and was born in Westphalia, Germany, about the year 1834.

Anthony Niesse, who owned a small farm in Westphalia, sailed from Bremen with his family for America in 1849, and after a passage of fifty-four days landed in New Orleans, whence they came, via river, to Madison, arriving here about June 1. Here Mr. Niesse worked in a tan yard for some time, and later on a railroad, and in 1856, while repairing a bridge a bank caved in, and so injured his leg that he died from the effects about six weeks later. He was a strong, healthy, hard-working man, and was about fifty-nine years of age at the time of his untimely death. His wife, soon after the arrival of the family in Madison, was seized with cholera, and after an illness of ten hours only, expired August 1, 1849. Their five children were Mary, the deceased wife of Joseph Loehman, of Madison; Henry, the subject of this memoir; John D.; William, deceased, and Theressa, wife of George Wenzler.

Henry Niesse, on first arriving in Madison, worked for a few months in a tanyard and was next employed as a gardener. In 1852 he became a clerk on a wharfboat, a position he held until

the fall of 1861. May 14, of the same year, he married Miss Mary Livedag, a native of Virginia, and a daughter of William H. Livedag, who was born in Germany, but no children have come to add happiness to this union.

After marriage Mr. Niese embarked in the hotel business in Madison, and this he continued until 1884, when he purchased and retired to his present place, where he is leading a quiet life, but being strong and active, labors almost daily. Mr. Niese has made a success of his various enterprises, and, beside his homestead, owns considerable improved real estate in Madison. He is a devout Catholic in religion, and for ten years has been a trustee of St. Mary's church. In politics he is independent and votes for the man he thinks to be best qualified for the office to be filled. As a citizen Mr. Niese has acted well his part, and as an individual has reached his present respected position entirely through his own exertions.

**W**ILLIAM HENRY NOLAN, a popular business man at No. 325 South Capitol avenue, Indianapolis, Ind., was born in Detroit, Mich., July 19, 1864. He is a son of Michael and Catherine (Carey) Nolan, both natives of Ireland, the former of Dublin and the latter of Cork. They were married in their native country and their two eldest children were born there. On coming to the United States they located, first, in Detroit, Mich. Michael Nolan was a soldier in the English army, was afterward located in Toronto, Canada, where he died when the subject of this sketch was yet a child, and was worth considerable property, which his children have inherited.

Michael and Catherine Nolan were the parents of the following children: Mary, who died in Washington, D. C., the wife of James Malone, an old soldier; Sarah, still single and living with the subject of this sketch; Kate, who died in Marblehead, Mass., the wife of Patrick Egan; Maggie, wife of Timothy O'Keefe, a molder by trade, and living in Detroit, Mich.; Jennie, wife of John Collins, who also lives in Detroit. James and Michael are both deceased, leaving William Henry the only living son. The par-



ents of these children are both deceased, the mother dying at Detroit, Mich., and the father, as stated above, at Toronto, Canada.

William Henry Nolan spent his early life up to the age of sixteen at Detroit, Mich., and at Toronto, and was educated in the public schools and at a Brothers' school. For two or three years afterward he worked at the organmaker's trade, removing to Indianapolis about 1880, but for some years after this removal was not engaged in any business. In 1893 he established himself in his present business, in which he has ever since been engaged. Mr. Nolan is still unmarried and is living with his sister, the two bringing up a foundling boy. In political views Mr. Nolan is a democrat, ardently devoted to his party, though he is not in any way desirous of official station. He is a faithful member of St. John's Catholic church, as are the rest of the family living in Indianapolis. He is also a member of the Ancient Order of Druids, and in all relations in life is a true, honorable and respected citizen.

REV. M. F. NOLL (deceased) was born in Germany, July 19, 1849, and came to this country when a child. He studied his classics in St. Francis seminary, Wilwaukee. Having completed these, and rather young to enter philosophy, his bishop, the Right Rev. J. H. Luers, sent him to Father O'Reilly, at Valparaiso, Ind., who placed him at the head of his school and made him organist of his church. Having labored faithfully in these positions four years, Mr. Noll was sent to Mount St. Mary's seminary, at Cincinnati, where he pursued and completed his studies in philosophy and theology. He was ordained priest in 1872, in the twenty-fourth year of his age, being the first priest ordained by Bishop Dwenger.

Father Noll's first congregation was that of Union City, Ind., where he remained four years, and successfully administered the spiritual and temporal affairs pertaining to his charge. After obtaining such blessed results in Union City, he was transferred to the parishes of Elkhart and Goshen, where he again labored with great zeal.

In 1880 Bishop Dwenger promoted Father Noll to the parish of St. Mary's, LaFayette, considered one of the largest in the diocese. He grew rapidly in the good will of his people because of his zeal, his frankness and his kind disposition. He had just witnessed the close of a two weeks' mission, and had addressed his people at the eight o'clock mass on Sunday morning, but at Monday noon, June 23, 1880, he died, stricken with apoplexy. Rugged in health, in good cheer during the forenoon, chatting pleasantly with the missionaries, these latter started to visit a few sick persons, and returning at noon had scarcely time to give him extreme unction, and the good Father went to meet the Master he had so faithfully served on earth.

The remains were conveyed to Fort Wayne, where pontifical mass of requiem was celebrated in the cathedral by Bishop Dwenger. A large number of priests attended the obsequies.

JOHN WENDELL NORDHAUS, of Vincennes, Ind., is a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, was born April 4, 1865, and is a son of John W. and Elizabeth (Brinkmann) Nordhaus, both natives of Prussia, who respectively came to America in 1850 and 1860, and were married in Cincinnati in 1863. The father was a shoe manufacturer, removed from Cincinnati, Ohio, to Evansville, Ind., in 1875, and there died June 22, 1876, at the age of sixty-two years; the mother died at the home of subject, February 27, 1896. They were the parents of two children—John W. and William—the latter being now engaged in the furniture business in Evansville.

John Wendell Nordhaus was educated in St. Michael's parochial school, Cincinnati, and in St. Mary's school in Evansville, and received his first communion June 2, 1878. On leaving school he engaged for three years in the butcher business in Evansville, but as this trade interfered with his regular attendance at church, he accepted a clerkship in a merchant tailoring establishment, but three years later returned to Cincinnati and for four years filled a similar position. September 1, 1886, he married, at Evansville, Miss Mary Kleinhans, a native of Ironton, Ohio, and a daughter of August and Mary Kleinhans, at that time prominent members of

the Catholic church in Evansville. To this marriage there was born September 22, 1887, a son, named John Ferdinand.

In 1887 Mr. Nordhaus came to Vincennes to take charge of a tailoring establishment for his Cincinnati employer, and three years later purchased the business, which he conducted until 1895, when he was obliged to discontinue on account of failing eyesight. In September, of the same year, he was appointed supreme organizer of the Catholic Knights of America for the territory embracing the states of Indiana, Illinois and Kentucky, and earned the distinction of having secured more members than any other organizer (there being six in the United States) during the period in which he held the position. January 1, 1897, Mr. Nordhaus resigned his position to accept a more lucrative one in the office of the supreme treasurer, Catholic Knights of America.

Mr. Nordhaus has a fine reputation as a drillmaster, having received his first training as a member of the Ohio national guards, in which he served while a resident of Cincinnati, taking part with it in quelling the great riots in that city some years ago. In 1889 he organized the first militia company in Vincennes, of which he was commissioned first lieutenant by Gov. Hovey, and in which he served three years. In 1891 he assisted in organizing the U. R., C. K. of A., and was elected captain of the local branch of Vincennes—a position which he recently resigned, having been elected supreme commander of the uniform rank, C. K. of A. In 1895 he was elected colonel of the Indiana regiment. In all competitive drills and exhibitions his command has carried off first honors, and at the state encampment in Logansport, in 1892, he was awarded a gold medal, merited from being the ablest commander in line—and in this triumph he naturally feels a pardonable pride. He and family worship at St. John's German Catholic church, in the choir of which Mr. Nordhaus is first tenor.

**J**OSEPH N. OBRECHT, superintendent of the Armstead & Higgins spring factory, at Connersville, Fayette county, Ind., was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, May 6, 1861, a son of Nicholas J. and Mary (Lehamn) Obrecht, natives of Germany.

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Joseph N. Obrecht attended a parochial school in his native city until thirteen years old, and then a public school until seventeen years old, when he began learning stonecutting, a trade he followed four years. He next was employed as a laborer in a spring factory, where he continued to work until January 12, 1892, when he came to Connersville as superintendent of the works of Armstead & Higgins, and this position he has continued to fill, to the entire satisfaction of his employers.

Mr. Obrecht was united in marriage, in St. Michael's church, Cincinnati, February 16, 1887, with Miss Mary E. Joring, who was born in that city October 17, 1862, and this union has been blessed with two children—Charles B. and Norbert L. The family are members of St. Gabriel's congregation, are very attentive to their duties, and freely aid from their means the good work of the church and in paying its expenses. Mr. Obrecht is a hard-working, frugal and temperate citizen, and has earned through his own exertions a comfortable home for himself and family at the corner of Washington avenue and South Sixteenth street, where they live in the full enjoyment of the esteem of their neighbors and many warm friends.

REV. AUGUST BERNARD OECHTERING, the youngest son of Gerhard H. and Theressa (Benningmeier) Oechtering, was born in Westphalia, Germany, September 8, 1837. In his very childhood he manifested a decided predilection toward theology, and his earliest pleasure, after learning to read, was found in the perusal of sacred writings. His literary education was acquired at the college of Rheine, from which he graduated in 1858, and a few months later came to America, and on arriving sought the late Bishop Luers, in whose benevolent heart he found immediate favor, and by that right reverend clergyman was sent to Mount St. Mary's seminary, Cincinnati, Ohio, there to begin and complete his theological studies. From this famous institution of learning he was graduated in May, 1861, and on the seventeenth day of the same month he was ordained priest by Bishop Luers in the cathedral at Fort Wayne, Ind. Two days later he

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celebrated his first mass at St. Mary's church, Fort Wayne, Rev. Joseph Wentz being pastor, and on the twenty-sixth day of the same month was assigned to the cure of souls at the congregation of St. Joseph's, in Delphi, Carroll county, Ind., and contiguous missions. Delphi, at that time, was itself a mere mission, and St. Joseph's congregation was composed of a very few yet ardent Catholics; but, through the zeal and unwearying labors of Rev. Father Oechtering, the flock was greatly augmented, and when the time came for him to leave his charge, he left behind a substantial church-edifice and school-building, a parish now among the foremost of the diocese, and a name for himself that is still honored and revered and ever will be by the parishioners of St. Joseph's, Delphi. It was while attending the missions adjacent to Delphi that Father Oechtering cemented the friendship that had already been formed between himself and the now Right Rev. Bishop Rademacher, who at that time had charge of the mission at Attica, adjacent to those over which Rev. Oechtering presided, this circumstance frequently bringing them together in consultation over the best means for the promotion of the welfare of their respective flocks.

In 1864 Father Oechtering accompanied Bishop Luers to Europe, where he remained six months, and the following year was appointed to the charge of St. Mary's church at Avilla, Noble county, Ind., of which he assumed the functions of pastor two days before Christmas, 1865. During the eighteen months he remained with this charge he performed an immense amount of good work, greatly improving the condition of St. Mary's congregation, erecting a new church-building at Waterloo, now unhappily defunct, and rebuilding the one at Kendallville, beside finding time to deliver a long series of lectures on subjects pertaining to the holy faith of Catholicity. May 17, 1867, he was assigned to the charge of St. Joseph's parish at Mishawaka, Ind., and here his labors have been productive of the utmost benefit to the parishioners, spiritually and temporally.

In 1875 Father Oechtering made a second trip to Europe, and while in Rome was honored by an audience with his Holiness, Pío Nono. In December, 1879, Bishop Dwenger tendered him the

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pastorate of the church at Huntington, Ind., but Father Oechtering preferred to continue his administration at Mishawaka, where he had already accomplished an immense amount of beneficial work. By 1886 he had under progress the movement which resulted in the erection of a new church-edifice in Mishawaka, and on May 19, of that year, occurred the silver jubilee of his ordination as priest, which was attended by two bishops, fifty-seven priests and a large concourse of friends, who united with St. Joseph's congregation in celebrating the happy event.

October 22, 1893, was dedicated to God the new Catholic edifice in Mishawaka, the means to erect which resulted from the continuous and strenuous exertions of the pastor. His labors in improving his parish are so well-known and appreciated by his flock that eulogy here would be the work of supererogation. For the past nine years Father Oechtering has been the president of the school board of his the Fifth district, and as dean, it is his duty to preside at the semi-annual meetings of the board. He is dearly beloved by the members of his congregation, and outside his flock enjoys the esteem of all who have the happiness of meeting him. He is, indeed, a model parish priest.

**W**ILLIAM FARRES O'BRIAN, a prominent business man of Montgomery, Daviess county, is a native of Mount Pleasant, Martin county, Ind., was born November 17, 1851, a son of William Pius and Sarah Ann (Gates) O'Brian, whose family of six children were born in the following order: William F., whose name opens this biographical notice; Alice (deceased) was the wife of Thomas I. Brown; Eliza, wife of Sideny Smith, a farmer of St. Mary's parish; John B., station agent for the B. & O. S. W. railroad at Huron, Ind.; Emily, widow of James L. Clark, of Cannelburg, and Delia, also a resident of Cannelburg.

William P. O'Brian, father of this family, was born in Kentucky in 1827, and now lives in Cannelburg, Ind. He was educated in the common schools, was reared a blacksmith, and has been a life-long democrat. Mrs. Sarah A. O'Brian, also a native of Kentucky,

was born in 1825, and is a devout member of St. Peter's congregation at Montgomery.

William F. O'Brian, the subject of his memoir, was confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais, in St. John's church, Loogootee, in 1865. When a young man he began learning the trade of a blacksmith, but, disliking this calling, at the age of nineteen years he entered the mercantile house of McCafferty & Ward, at Montgomery, as salesman, and remained with this firm two years, or until 1871, when he went to Cannelburg, where he was employed for about a year as bookkeeper by the Buckeye Cannel Coal company, but his abilities were so apparent that he was appointed chief salesman and manager for the concern, which position he retained ten years, when, in 1882, he was chosen superintendent and manager of the mines and store, in which capacity he served three years. In 1885, he took charge of the dry-goods department of Johnson & Chenowith's establishment at Shoals, Ind., where he remained five years, when he returned to Cannelburg, where he was placed in charge of the Mutual Mining company as superintendent and manager, and remained until 1892. In 1894 the Daviess County Coal company established a mercantile house in Montgomery, and the well-known business qualifications of Mr. O'Brian caused the officials to elect him as their chief representative. In September, 1894, the style was changed to that of the Montgomery Mercantile company, with Mr. O'Brian as chief purchaser and salesman. This large concern has been a prime factor in the development of Montgomery, as, on locating here, the hamlet numbered a population of about 300, but in 1898 it had reached to 800. The business transactions of the company annually amount to \$92,000 in coal, and \$54,000 in merchandise, making a total of \$146,000. Mr. O'Brian has the entire supervision over the mercantile department, assisted, of course, by an able corps of auxiliaries.

November 25, 1879, Mr. O'Brian was united in marriage, by the Rev. Father Massic, of North Vernon, to Miss Elizabeth C. Colsher, a native of Milan, Ripley county, Ind., and this union has been blessed with four children, of whom George Earl died May 26, 1886, at the age of three and one-half years; Mary Afra, who is devoted to music; William Gordon, at school, and George For-

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rest. Mr. and Mrs. O'Brian have charge of the North Side hotel, over which Mrs. O'Brian has personal supervision and makes it superior, in all respects, to the ordinary hotel in country towns.

Mrs. Elizabeth C. O'Brian is a daughter of A. W. and Amelia J. (Gosney) Colsher, of whose nine children, five sons and four daughters, four are still living, viz: Mrs. Eliza J. Morrell, Mrs. O'Brian, Mrs. Laura Gordon and Charles C. The father was born in Pennsylvania and the mother in Kentucky, but both are now deceased. Mrs. O'Brian was well educated in the common schools and was confirmed in the Catholic faith by Bishop Chatard in June, 1896.

In politics Mr. O'Brian is a democrat, and cast his first presidential vote for Horace Greeley in 1872, and in 1896 voted for and earnestly worked for W. J. Bryan. Twice he has been chosen delegate to the democratic state conventions held at Indianapolis, but has never sought public office. He and family are among the most highly respected members of St. Peter's church, and are never behindhand in contributing to its support.

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REV. JAMES A. O'BRIEN, assistant pastor of St. John's church, Indianapolis, was born November 8, 1860, in the city of Tipperary, Ireland. He attended Blackrock college, Dublin, where he completed his preparatory work, and in 1879 entered the College of the Holy Ghost, Paris, France, where he pursued his studies for a period of six years. He was ordained priest at Chevilly parish, diocese of Paris, November 1, 1887, from which date until 1893 he held a professorship in Blackrock college, Dublin.

By reason of failing health a change of climate was recommended, and in 1893 Father O'Brien came to America, his first introduction to this country being his attendance at the world's exposition at Chicago. He spent nearly one year teaching in the Holy Ghost college, Pittsburg, Pa., and the year following he served as assistant pastor of St. Joachim's (French) church, Detroit. On the twenty-second of March, 1895, Father O'Brien became assistant pastor of St. John's parish, Indianapolis, his



present post of duty. He is a man of fine intellectual attainments, a ripe scholar, and an able and conscientious preacher. In him the people find a most devoted spiritual adviser, and his efforts at St. John's have already been crowned with great spiritual good to his congregation.

Father O'Brien is the only representative of his family in the new world. His parents, James and Elizabeth (Morrissey) O'Brien, died in their native country, Ireland, the former in 1891, and the latter in the year 1868. The subject is the second of a family of eight children.

CAPT. JOHN J. O'BRIEN, of engine company No. 3, Indianapolis city fire department, is a native of this city, was born May 24, 1865, and is a son of Joseph and Catherine (Crehan) O'Brien, natives of Ireland—the former of county Cork and the latter of county Kerry. These parents were single when they came to America, and first met and were married at Johnstown, Pa., came to Indianapolis in 1864, and here the father died in 1874, at the age of thirty-five years. Of their seven children, Michael was born in Pennsylvania, was for many years employed at the Indiana state house, and resides on South Capitol avenue; Patrick, also born in Pennsylvania, is deceased; John J. and his twin brother, Jeremiah, were the next in order of birth—the latter being an engineer for the Diamond Match company at Wabash, Ind.; Joseph, unmarried, resides with his mother in Indianapolis, and is an employee of the National Wheel company; Dennis died in 1896, and Catherine is at home with her mother, unmarried.

Capt. John J. O'Brien was educated at the Brothers' school in Indianapolis, and his first employment was with the Kingan Packing company, with which he spent about seven years. In 1891 he was appointed a member of engine company No. 6, was transferred to No. 10 in 1892, and November 18, 1896, was promoted to be captain of company No. 3, his present charge.

Capt. O'Brien has been twice married—first, in 1889, to Miss Nellie Lynch, with whom three years of happy wedded life were passed, and to which union was born one child, John, January 1,

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1892. Mrs. O'Brien was called away May 20, 1893, a devout Catholic, and her remains were interred from St. Mary's church, Rev. Father Gavisk performing the last sad rites.

The second marriage of Capt. O'Brien took place July 1, 1895, in Indianapolis, to Mrs. Anna Dumas, a native of Taylorsville, Ind., and born Anna Dyson, her family being well known as old residents of the state of Indiana. The captain and his family have a pleasant home at No. 1104 South Capitol avenue and their church membership is with St. John's. The captain in his youth was a member of the Knights of Father Mathew, and still adheres closely to the lessons he early learned on the subject of intoxicants. In politics he is an ardent democrat, and is a member of the Cleveland club and other political organizations. His honored mother is still in excellent health and resides at her own home on South Capitol avenue.

**J**OHN WALDRON, one of Bloomington's most successful and best-known business men, for fourteen years the president of the First National bank, is a valued and highly respected member of St. Charles Catholic church, with which he has been associated since 1856, and of which he has all that time been treasurer. In fact, to Mr. Waldron's energy, liberality and sound business judgment is due, in no small degree, the material success and high financial standing of this church body.

When Mr. Waldron arrived in Bloomington the congregation was in its infancy, and it was not a lusty infancy either. At that time there was no resident priest, nor was there a church-building. Through Mr. Waldron's active interest in church matters, the scattered body of local Catholics were brought to attend services at his house, which was used for some time for that purpose and until the growing congregation purchased an old church-building, which was used for divine worship until the present church-edifice was erected. This first purchase was made largely through Mr. Waldron's instrumentality, and involved an expenditure of \$600, which was a large amount for the congregation at that time. During all



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these years Mr. Waldron has been the church treasurer and one of the trustees, and the fact that it has never had a debt resting upon it speaks largely in praise of the efficient manner in which Mr. Waldron has looked after its finances.

John Waldron is a native of Ireland, and was born in June, 1827, the son of John and Mary (Hughes) Waldron. His father was a tanner, of the details of which business our subject received a thorough knowledge. The father died in 1834 and the mother in 1837. There were three sons—our subject, the eldest, Bernard and James. In 1847 these sons came to America. Bernard died in Natchez, Miss., in 1852; James served an apprenticeship at ship-building in St. Louis, and afterward was lost sight of by his brother, and his whereabouts are at present unknown to him.

John Waldron received some schooling in his early boyhood, and had perfected himself in a useful trade before he came to this country. Upon his arrival here he stopped at Newark, N. J., a few months; then, in company with an uncle, he went to Illinois and later to St. Louis, where he was married in September, 1853, to Ann Bonicum, a native of Canada, and a first cousin to Bishop Bonicum, of Lincoln, Nebr. In 1856 Mr. Waldron purchased a tan-yard at Bloomington, and continued to operate it for thirty-five years. When he started in this business he had but little money, but his energy and perseverance proved better than cash capital and he has prospered well, having been connected with many of Bloomington's most flourishing institutions. He was one of the original stockholders and first directors of the First National bank, and for fourteen years held the position of president of that solid old institution. He is still a member of its directory. He is a partner in the Waldron, Hill & Buskirk spoke factory; is also part owner and treasurer of the Electric light plant, and has interests in the Central stone quarry and ten other quarries. He has made money in his numerous investments and has always very wisely re-invested it at home. He is also the owner of several fine business blocks and a handsome residence.

To Mr. and Mrs. Waldron have been born ten children, three of whom, only, survive to bless their later days: Julia, wife of William T. Blair, superintendent of the Central stone quarry;

Mary, wife of Ira C. Bateman, attorney; Ida, at home. All live at Bloomington and reside near together.

Politically, Mr. Waldron has always affiliated with the republican party and has held municipal offices and served one term as county commissioner.

**M**ICHAEL O'BRIEN, an employee at the Terre Haute Brewing company's place of business, on South Kentucky avenue, Indianapolis, was born in Dungarvon, county of Waterford, Ireland, December 18, 1868, and is the only child born to James and Margaret Powers O'Brien, who are now living in retirement in their native city, where the father had formerly been a prosperous leather merchant.

Michael O'Brien attended school in Dungarvon until sixteen years of age, when he came to America to join some relatives on this side of the Atlantic ocean. In 1885 he came to Indianapolis, and now makes his home with the mother of Mrs. Maurice Donnelly, the latter being a relative, of whom mention is made in another part of this work. For the first eleven years after his arrival in this city, Mr. O'Brien was in the employ of Thomas Madden, of whom, also, mention is made in another page in this volume, and under that gentleman learned wood-carving in his extensive lounge manufactory, but improved machinery has rendered this trade unprofitable to the worker by hand, and in 1896 Mr. O'Brien accepted his present position.

Mr. O'Brien is a member of St. Patrick's congregation, under the ministration of the able pastor, Very Rev. Father O'Donaghue, and is also a member of the Young Men's institute. In politics he is a democrat, and has served as a member of the Marion county democratic central committee, and is at present a member of the democratic city committee. He is active and earnest in his advocacy of the principles of his party, with which he is very popular, and is a young man of intelligence, excellent business capacity, and of strictly moral personal habits, being a sincere and devoted Catholic.

MICHAEL JOSEPH O'BRIEN, of No. 944 South Capitol avenue, Indianapolis, was born at Johnstown, Pa., April 14, 1861. He is a son of Joseph and Catherine (McCrehan) O'Brien, the former a native of county Cork, and the latter of county Kerry, Ireland. They were married in Johnstown, Pa., where their respective families had recently located, about 1853. Joseph O'Brien was an iron and steel worker most of his life. After removing to Indianapolis in 1863 he worked in a rolling mill until his death, which occurred September 6, 1874. He left a widow and seven children, of whom the subject of this sketch is the eldest. The others were as follows: Patrick F., formerly a street car conductor in Indianapolis, who died in 1894, leaving a wife and two children; John and Jerry, twins, the former of whom is a captain of No. 3 engine company, of the Indianapolis fire department, and the latter a stationary engineer at Wabash, Ind.; Joseph is a wood worker employed at the Standard Wheel works, and is unmarried; Dennis died in Indianapolis in December, 1896; Catherine, who is single, lives with her mother at No. 528 South Capitol avenue, Indianapolis.

Michael Joseph O'Brien, the subject of this sketch, obtained his education at St. John's Brothers' school in Indianapolis, afterward learning the iron puddler's trade, which he followed for a livelihood about thirteen years. He then secured a position in the State library as janitor and messenger, which he filled for about nine years. While in this position, being of a studious disposition, he managed by reading to supplement his earlier education, which from necessity had been somewhat neglected. After leaving the library he was next employed in the office of the board of health, in Indianapolis.

Mr. O'Brien was married April 10, 1885, at St. John's church, Indianapolis, by Rev. Father Collier, to Miss Mary Loftus, a native of Kentucky, who at the time of the marriage was a resident of Madison, Ind. Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien are the parents of four living children: Joseph, Catherine, James and Agnes. One other, Mary, died at the age of five months. Joseph and Catherine are pupils in St. John's academy. Mr. O'Brien has been a member of the Knights of Father Mathew and of the Ancient Order of Hiber-

nians, but is non-affiliating at the present time. He and his family are members of St. John's Catholic church, of which Rev. Father Gavisk is the pastor, and Mrs. O'Brien is a member of the Rosary society. Politically Mr. O'Brien is a democrat, and an ardent supporter of his party's doctrines.

The parents of Mrs. O'Brien were James and Mary (O'Hara) Loftus, both natives of county Mayo, Ireland. They were married at St. Michael's church, Madison, Ind., and became the parents of ten children, viz: Patrick, Mary, Margaret, James, John, Celia, Thomas, Nellie, John (2), and Katie. John (1), Thomas and Nellie are deceased. Mary, James, Celia and Margaret are married.

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**P**ATRICK O'BRIEN, an ex-soldier of the Civil war and the leading manufacturer of varnishes in the state of Indiana, with his plant at South Bend, was born in county Tipperary, Ireland, June 11, 1839, a son of Patrick and Johanna (McGrath) O'Brien, who came to America in 1843, landing in the city of New York, whence they went to Salem, N. J. There he was reared, was educated, and was taught, through a full apprenticeship, the art of decorative, sign and house painting. In the spring of 1859 he came to South Bend, Ind., and found employment at his trade with the Studebaker Brothers Wagon company, but had hardly been with this firm two years when the alarm of war was sounded. He at once responded to the first call to arms and enlisted in the Thirty-fifth Indiana volunteer infantry, but, instead of bearing arms, served as a musician for a year and a half, and after receiving an honorable discharge, re-enlisted and served in the ranks until the close of the war, when he was again honorably discharged. It may here be remarked, however, that during the service of Mr. O'Brien in the army, between his first and second enlistments, the band service was abolished, but he was devoted to the flag of his country and was determined to fight to the end before that flag should be prostrated.

After his return from the war, Mr. O'Brien resumed his calling of painter at South Bend, and in March, 1869, was married to



Miss Matilda Byerly, Rev. P. P. Cooney officiating. The result of this happy union has been the birth of six children, born in the following order: Samuel P., William D., George L., Fred J., Frank B. and Henrietta—all the sons being graduates of Notre Dame college and the daughter of St. Mary's. About 1885 Mr. O'Brien entered into present business, which was then somewhat limited or confined, but the excellence of his productions soon gained for him a broadspread reputation, and called for increased facilities and space for their manufacture, so that his plant now covers an area of two acres of ground. Railroad, carriage, furniture and all other varnishes used in the mechanic arts, and linseed oil, are made by Mr. O'Brien, and are found in use in all parts of the Union.

Mr. O'Brien and family are members of St. Patrick's congregation, and live fully up to the teachings of the church. They lead in all secular movements designed to promote to the material condition of its people, and freely contribute of their means to defray the necessary expenses of the church proper. Their social position is a most enviable one, and Mr. O'Brien is himself a gentleman who cannot fail to make a friend of every one with whom he comes in contact.

THOMAS O'BRIEN, now living in retirement in Indianapolis, was born in the parish of Killairn, county Galway, Ireland, in August, 1826, a son of Thomas and Mary (Roseman) O'Brien, parents of two sons and two daughters, one of the latter, Mrs. Sarah Cashion, late of Chicago, being now deceased. The living sister is Mrs. Kate Lally, of Indianapolis, and the brother, Richard, is a farmer in the old country.

Thomas O'Brien came to the United States in 1849, landed in New Orleans, and for a short time worked on the lower Mississippi river, then lived in Cincinnati, Ohio, and other places, until 1854, when he came to Indianapolis and for twenty-seven years was employed as a stone-sawyer by one firm, and for sixteen years by another, when advancing years compelled his retirement.

Mr. O'Brien was married in this city, in 1861, by the Right

Rev. Mgr. Aug. Bessonies, to Miss Sarah Baggott, also a native of county Galway, and this union has been blessed with five children, viz: Mary, wife of John Lally; Thomas, a machinist; Sarah and Lizzie, at home, and John, a molder by trade. The family are all devout Catholics and are highly respected socially. In politics Mr. O'Brien is a democrat, but is liberal, and sometimes votes for a good man taken from the ranks of other parties. Liberality, in fact, has been the characteristic feature of Mr. O'Brien's life, as is evidenced by his unstinted contributions to the support of his church and to the promotion of all projects designed for the good of the community in which he has passed so many years.

WILLIAM O'BRIEN, a retired railroad employee of Monroeville, Allen county, Ind., was born in county Limerick, Ireland, about 1822, and is one of the eleven children born to Terrence and Margaret (Reading) O'Brien. He came to the United States in June, 1852, landed in New York city, and at once found employment on the Saratoga railroad in that state. Two years later he went to Ottawa, Ill., where, for a short time, he was engaged in farming, and then removed to Marion county, Ohio, where he followed the same calling until 1860, when he went to Lima, in the same state, and entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad company, with which he remained thirty-five years, or until 1893, when, owing to his advanced years, he was retired on a pension of \$6 per month, is the only known pensioner of the company named, and has since resided in Monroeville, Ind.

Mr. O'Brien was first married to Miss Catherine Murthie, who died in 1871, and his second marriage was to Mrs. Mary Carney, which union was blessed with eight children, of whom one only—Margaret, the youngest—still survives. Mr. O'Brien was reared a Catholic and still adheres to this church. He is a member of the St. Joseph Benevolent society, and as a citizen is greatly respected in Monroeville, as he has always been wherever he has resided.

Mrs. O'Brien's maiden name was Mary Cleary. She first married John Carney, who lost his life at Fort Wayne by being struck

by a railroad train. By this union two children were born: James, who died November 19, 1893, aged twenty-five years; Thomas is a telegraph operator. The boys have assumed the name of their step-father, O'Brien.

DANIEL O'CONNELL, who resides at No. 217 North State avenue, is a worthy representative of an early Catholic family of Indianapolis. He is a son of Thomas and Catherine (O'Brien) O'Connell, the former of whom was a native of county Cork, Ireland, where he married, his wife being a native of the same county. Emigrating to the United States, Mr. and Mrs. O'Connell settled at Springfield, Mass., a short time thereafter coming to Indianapolis, this being at a time when the only parish was St. John's, and the only church-building a little brick structure on Georgia street. Here Thomas O'Connell and his wife passed the remainder of their lives. They became the parents of twelve children, five sons and seven daughters, of whom the following survive: Ellen, wife of Thomas Linahan; Nancy, wife of Henry Hamberg; Maurice, Daniel and Thomas. These all live in Indianapolis, and Margaret, wife of William Buckhart, lives in Chilli-cothe, Ill.

Daniel O'Connell was born in Springfield, Mass., in 1855. For a time during his early boyhood he was a student in the school in St. John's parish, and he has been a railroad employee since he was fourteen years of age. At the present time he is one of the most trusted locomotive engineers of the "Panhandle" railway company. On September 27, 1882, he was married to Miss Alice Delaney, daughter of William Delaney, of Indianapolis. He and his wife have four children, viz: William Thomas, Albert, Nellie Frances and Maurice Richard. Mr. and Mrs. O'Connell have a most pleasant home, and are esteemed as worthy Catholic citizens.

William Delaney, father of Mrs. O'Connell, lives at No. 1037 High street, Indianapolis. He was born in Queen's county, Ireland, January 1, 1822, and was one of three children, viz: Edward, William and John, the last two being twins. William is the only one of the family that has come to the United States. In 1849,

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when he was twenty-seven years of age, he left his native land with the view of bettering his condition in the new world, and lived in Burlington county, N. J., until April, 1861, when he came to Indianapolis, which city has since been his home. He was married in New Jersey to Miss Maria Cassin, a native of the same parish as her husband. She died April 11, 1896, having lived a most exemplary life, and having been a most worthy wife and mother. She and her husband were the parents of seven children, two sons and five daughters. The eldest of the children, Mary, resides in Denver, Colo.; Alice, wife of Daniel O'Connell; Catherine, wife of Dennis Colvart; Anna, wife of Michael White; Michael, living in San Francisco, Cal.; William, of Denver, and Margaret, living at home. Mr. Delaney is a member of St. Patrick's Catholic church, and a highly esteemed citizen.

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**J**OHAN O'CONNELL, who has charge of the most popular billiard hall in Fort Wayne, is one of two children born to Thomas and Johanna (Coffee) O'Connell. By a second marriage, the mother of subject had eleven children, her second husband being David Fitzgerald. She was born in 1814, and is still living at Decatur, Ind. The father was a contractor and died in 1838 or 1839.

John O'Connell was born January 17, 1836, at Wallington, Pa., and at the age of sixteen years engaged in the trade of carriage wood-working and continued in this business until 1860. In July, 1862, he enlisted in company F, Eighty-eighth Indiana volunteer infantry, and served all through the war, after which he returned to Fort Wayne and opened a billiard room; then went into the contracting business for railroad and city work, which he carried on some years. For fifteen years he was a member of the police department and since has had charge of the Home billiard hall.

Mr. O'Connell was married in October, 1863, to Miss Johanna Burt, of Fort Wayne, daughter of John Burt, and this marriage has been blessed with thirteen children, six living: Agnes, William,

John H., Charles, Joseph and James F., all members of the Catholic church. Mr. O'Connell was a member of the Catholic Knights of America, No. 103, was its vice-president, and is now a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, division No. 1. Mr. O'Connell is a self-made man, from a business point of view, and is well deserving of the high respect in which he is held by numerous friends.

THOMAS O'CONNELL, a pioneer of St. Paul the Apostle congregation at Greencastle, Putnam county, Ind., and an honored citizen, was born in county-Kerry, Ireland, in August, 1829, near the birthplace of Daniel O'Connell, the famous lawyer, orator, statesman and Irish patriot, of whom the subject of this memoir still has a vivid recollection.

In 1845, Thomas O'Connell began an apprenticeship of six years at boot and shoemaking, and faithfully and honestly served out his term, becoming an adept in his trade. He had barely completed his apprenticeship, however, when, in 1852, he came to America, accompanied by a sister and a youth, named Patrick O'Connell—a distant relative. An elder brother, Michael, and a sister, had preceded this trio to America and had landed in Canada, but Michael, ere the arrival of Thomas, found a home in Greencastle, Ind., and was employed in the construction of the Vandalia railway. Hither then, as a matter of sequence, after having carefully provided for the safety of his sister and young kinsman, Thomas O'Connell wended his way, reaching his destination in November, 1852, and here has ever since prosperously engaged in the boot and shoe business—a period of forty-five years.

The marriage of Thomas O'Connell and Miss Mary Kinerke has been blessed with seven children, four of whom still survive, viz: Thomas, who learned the trade of printing, and is now engaged in newspaper work in Boston, Mass.; John, also a printer, still has his home under the parental roof; Maggie is the wife of John Doland, and Nellie is at home with her parents. The family are all faithful members of the Catholic church and are very liberal in contributing of their means to its support, and no family in Green-

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castle is more respected than that of Thomas O'Connell, who has passed so many years of an industrious and honorable life within its corporate limits.

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**J**OHN O'CONNOR, depot master, Big Four R. R. company, Indianapolis, is a native of Ireland, born in county Kerry on the sixth of June, 1850, a son of Martin and Mary (Breen) O'Connor. He received his educational training in his native country, and, after leaving school, decided to try his fortunes in America; accordingly, on May 27, 1869, he took passage, and on the sixth of June following landed in New York city. Thence he came at once to Indianapolis, Ind., where he first found employment as a common laborer with what, at the time, was known as the Bee Line R. R. company, now a part of the Big Four system. Possessed of unusual energy and intelligence, Mr. O'Connor did not long remain in the humble position with which he started, but was soon promoted to one of greater responsibility, and in due time, by a series of like promotions, succeeded in reaching the important place he now so ably fills. He was appointed depot master in September, 1880, upon the consolidation of the Bee Line with the Big Four, and, since that date, has had charge of the entire system at Indianapolis, having under his control 160 men, comprising foreman, tally men, receiving and delivery clerks, freight handlers and others, said to be the largest supervision of the kind in the United States under one person.

Mr. O'Connor was married October 19, 1875, in St. John's cathedral, Indianapolis, by Very Rev. D. O'Donaghue, to Miss Sarah Ryan, a native of county Kerry, Ireland, who came to the United States with her parents in early youth. After five brief years of happy wedded life, Mrs. O'Connor died October 14, 1880, leaving two children, Mary and John.

On December 31, 1883, Mr. O'Connor entered into the marriage relation with Miss Bridget Cain, of county Limerick, Ireland, the ceremony being solemnized in St. John's church by Very Rev. D. O'Donaghue. Mr. O'Connor and family are faithful members of the above church. He has been a member of and director in

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the Holy Cross Cemetery association ever since its inception, and is otherwise engaged in church work. He is a man of public spirit, and is now serving his fourth term as member of the city council, in which body he has been instrumental in promoting much important municipal legislation. He was first elected in 1879, serving two successive terms, and again in 1885 he was chosen for one term, and in 1895 was elected councilman at large for a term of two years. Mr. O'Connor is prominent in the councils of the democratic party in Indianapolis, and has contributed much to its success in a number of local, state and national campaigns.

Mr. O'Connor's parents were both natives of county Kerry, Ireland, the father dying there in 1881; the mother is living in Indianapolis at this time. A brother and sister, named respectively Thomas and Honorah, still live in the old country, and two sisters and one brother reside in Indianapolis, viz: Martin, Mary and Ellen, all of whom are married and the heads of families.

**B**ERNARD S. O'CONNOR, retired capitalist of Fort Wayne, Ind., was born in Lancaster county, Pa., June 17, 1842, and is a son of Bernard and Elizabeth (McGonigle) O'Connor, the former of whom was a native of Ireland, and was brought, at the age of twelve years, to the United States by his uncle. The father, who was born in 1817, on coming to America became a railroad contractor, and also built the telegraph line from Buffalo, N. Y., to New Orleans, La., was engaged in other work of a similar character, and died in 1895, a sincere Catholic and a man of wealth.

Bernard S. O'Connor removed with his parents to Illinois when eight years old, but returned to Lancaster a year later. From 1852 to 1855 he resided in Dayton, Ohio, and there attended school. He finished his education at St. Mary's Landing, Mo., at a Catholic institution, where his brothers also were educated. During this time the family removed to Alton, Ill., where Charles, a brother, died. In 1859, he came to Fort Wayne, and learned

the crafts of machinist and marble-cutter. But his father being then engaged in levee work on the Mississippi river, Bernard S., joined him and afterward was engaged with him in this enterprise. His brothers, John and James, subsequently joined them, and the firm of O'Connor & Sons was formed in building the Houston & Texas Central railroad, and then in the banking business, of which James C. now owns a controlling interest and is president. The latter in 1873 went to Europe, where he was joined the next year by Bernard S., and they made a trip through England, Ireland and France. Mr. O'Connor, with an energetic spirit, has interested himself in various enterprises. He was a stockholder in the Salamonia (Ind.) Gas company, the Natural Gas company of 1888, which was bought by eastern capitalists known as the Deitrick syndicate, the Gladstone Land company, of Kansas City, Mo., and has interests at Duluth, Minn.; he is also interested in the Paragon paper mill at Eaton, Ind., and the Utility, at Hartford City.

Mr. O'Connor was married November 4, 1878, to Marietta Fox, of Mansfield, Ohio, and he and wife are faithful members of the cathedral at Fort Wayne. They are among the most highly respected residents of the city, and occupy one of its finest mansions.

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CHARLES O'CONNOR, a tailor by trade, was born in the city of Sligo, Ireland. He came to America when a young man, traveled extensively through the country, and married, in 1873, in New York city, Miss Catherine Millea, and located in Indianapolis about 1880, remaining here a short time only, when he resumed his nomadic habits and again indulged in his love of travel.

Miss Catherine Millea was born in the city of Kilkenny, Ireland, a daughter of Mark and Anna (Bradley) Millea, natives of county Kilkenny, where their lives were passed away, Mr. Millea dying in the Catholic faith and Mrs. Millea as a Protestant. Mrs. Millea having died while Catherine was yet a child, the latter was reared in the Catholic church, and to its faith she has always fervently adhered. To the marriage of Catherine Millea with Charles



O'Connor have been born nine children, eight of whom are still living, viz: Anna Bradley, Mary Agnes, Mark Charles, Desmond Matthew, Catherine Oberta, Gertrude Wilhelmina, Lenora Loretta and Evelyn Miriam; Loretta Agnes, a lovable young lady, died at the age of nineteen years. These children were all educated in the parochial schools of Indianapolis and Terre Haute, and the eight survivors still have their home under the parental roof, 902 Huron street. The family are members of St. Patrick's church, are very punctual in their attendance and faithful in the performance of their duties, and are much esteemed by their neighbors for their genteel deportment and general amiability of disposition.

PATRICK O'CONNOR, boilermaker at Belt shops, was born in county Mayo, Ireland, March 25, 1857, son of Patrick and Mary (McLaughlin) O'Connor, both natives of the same country. The father is a resident of Cleveland, Ohio, where he located on coming to the United States in 1886, but Mary O'Connor died in her native isle. The family of Patrick and Mary O'Connor consisted of five children, four sons and one daughter, viz: Dominick, Patrick, Martin, John and Mary, wife of John Doyle, all living in the city of Cleveland, with the exception of Patrick.

The subject of this sketch was educated and grew to maturity in his native country, and came to America in 1880, locating at Cleveland, Ohio, where he spent the succeeding seven years at various kinds of employment. In 1886 he came to Indianapolis, where he has since resided, and since July, 1894, has been employed at the Belt shops as a boilermaker.

Mr. O'Connor and Miss Mary A. McGinty were united in the holy bonds of wedlock in 1886, at Cleveland, Ohio, Rev. Father Sidley solemnizing the ceremony, and three children have blessed their union, viz: John, born May 8, 1890; James, born April 25, 1892, and Irene, born January 29, 1897. Mr. O'Connor and family are members of St. John's church, Indianapolis, and he also belongs to the Ancient Order of Hibernians and Y. M. I.; politically, he is a democrat, and, while taking an active interest in the

welfare of his party, has never sought nor desired political preferment. He is a master of his trade, thoroughly reliable, and a most excellent and trustworthy gentleman.

**D**ANIEL O'DONNELL, yardmaster of Kingan's packing house, was born at Warsaw, Ind., January 6, 1854. He is a son of Patrick and Mary (O'Connor) O'Donnell, both natives of county Kerry, Ireland. They came to the United States at the age of nineteen and eleven respectively, and were married at Chillicothe, Ohio, in March, 1853, when Mrs. O'Donnell was but little more than fifteen years of age, and she is just sixteen years older than the subject of this sketch. Almost immediately after their marriage they settled at Warsaw, Ind., where they remained about two years, when they removed to Danville, where they now reside, and in the suburbs of which city Mr. O'Donnell is a prosperous farmer.

Patrick and Mary O'Donnell are the parents of six sons and four daughters, seven of whom are still living, as follows: Daniel, the subject of this sketch; Mary, the wife of James Wenn, of Indianapolis; Patrick, who resides in Indianapolis, and is a railway postal clerk; John F. is inspector for the City Water company; Ellen, wife of Edward Geis, a non-Catholic, as is also Mr. Wenn, husband of Mary; James, a grocer's clerk in Danville for the last two years, and Charles, who is attending school in Danville. Those who have died were named Johanna, Honora, and Terrence, the first two dying in childhood, the last when eighteen years of age.

Daniel O'Donnell, the subject of this sketch, obtained his education in the public schools of Danville, which was supplemented by a two-years' course in the Brothers' school in Indianapolis. He attained his manhood when at work on his father's farm, and thus became a sound, healthy man, inured to labor and acquiring habits of industry and self-reliance. When little more than eighteen years of age he engaged in railroad work on the L., B. & W. railroad, afterward transferring his services to the I. & St. L. Railway company. After spending six years with this company he returned to the first-named company, remaining with it

until 1888, a portion of the time being section boss or foreman. In 1888 he secured his present position, a responsible and respectable one, and one in which he is implicitly trusted. He has charge of the yards of the Kingan Packing company, and attends to the receiving and shipping of all the supplies and products of that mammoth establishment, the company sending out on an average twenty-five loaded cars per day.

Mr. O'Donnell was married September 11, 1878, at St. John's church, Indianapolis, by Rev. Father Bessonies, to Miss Delia Flattley, a native of Hamilton county, Ohio, and a daughter of Patrick Benjamin Flattley, a native of Mayo county, Ireland. Her mother was a Miss Mary Hanley, also a native of county Mayo, and they were married there. Her father was originally a druggist, but later became an employee in the supreme court room, in Indianapolis, where he met with an accidental death in May, 1876. The mother died the following year.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Donnell have had five children, two of whom are living, viz: Terrence and Frank, both of whom are in St. Bridget's school. The eldest of the family was Patrick Benjamin, who died at the age of five weeks; Hanora, called Annie in the home, died at the age of fourteen years and nine months, a bright and promising maiden, whose untimely death was a severe blow to her parents, and John William was drowned at eleven years and nine months of age. Mr. O'Donnell is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and has held the position of treasurer since the organization of the division, No. 5, of which he is a member, having transferred his membership from division No. 1. The family are members of St. Bridget's church, of which Rev. Father Curran is the pastor. Mr. O'Donnell was one of the organizers of this parish, and has always been a liberal contributor to its support. Mrs. O'Donnell is a member of the Altar society, and both are in every way devoted and faithful members of their church. Politically Mr. O'Donnell is a democrat in his views, and is a firm supporter of the doctrine of the free coinage of silver at the ratio of sixteen to one, as enunciated in the Chicago platform of 1896. He is a man of intellect, ability and character, and enjoys the respect and esteem of all that know him.

REV. HERMAN THEODORE WILKEN, pastor of St. Mary's church, Decatur, Ind., is a native of the kingdom of Hanover, Germany, born in the town of Soegel, on the 19th of October, 1844. Benedict Wilken, his father, was born in the year 1802, in Werpelo, Germany, was a farmer, came to the United States in 1860, and died in Cincinnati, Ohio, March 7, 1861. The mother, whose maiden name was Thekla Volmering, also a native of Germany, was born in 1802, departed this life in 1872 and lies buried beside her husband in the cemetery of St. Bernard, Cincinnati.

Father Wilken, the only son born to his parents, attended the parochial schools of Soegel until his fourteenth year, and in 1860, in company with his parents, came to the United States, locating at Cincinnati, where he was graduated from St. Xavier college in 1870. He then entered upon the pursuit of his ecclesiastical studies in Mount St. Mary's seminary, Cincinnati, completing the prescribed course of that institution in 1872; on November 9, of the same year, he was ordained priest by the Rt. Rev. Archbishop Purcell.

Immediately following his ordination, Father Wilken was appointed, by Bishop Dwenger, pastor of the congregation at Arcola, Allen county, Ind., in addition to which he also had charge of the missions at Monroeville, Bluffton, Hartford City and Blee settlement from 1872 to 1880. In July, of the latter year, he was appointed pastor of St. Mary's church, Decatur, where he has since exercised the priestly functions to the material and spiritual advancement of the parish. It is only sufficient to state, in this connection, that the pastorate of Father Wilken in Decatur has been eminently satisfactory and productive of great good. His life has been bravely and uncomplainingly devoted to the service of religion, and directing humanity to the higher life has been his greatest reward.

RICHARD JAMES O'CONNOR, foreman of the patternmaking department of the Hetherington & Berner structural iron and machine foundry, is a native of White county, Ind., was born January 21, 1864, and is a son of Michael and Mary (O'Mara)



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O'Connor, who were born in Limerick, Ireland, but were married in Indianapolis, and have reared a family of four sons and two daughters—John Charles, Patrick Francis, Richard James, Jeremiah Thomas, Mary and Ellen—the sons being all married, while the daughters are still single.

Richard J. O'Connor was a child of three years when his parents came from White county to Indianapolis to reside, and he here attended the parochial and public schools—the former until fourteen years old, and the latter until seventeen. At seventeen and a half years of age he became an apprentice to the pattern-maker's trade with the firm of Haugh & Ketchum, and this business he has followed, principally in this city, ever since, but has done some work in Terre Haute and Lafayette.

Mr. O'Connor was united in marriage November 27, 1889, in St. Bridget's church, by Rev. Father Curran, to Miss Catherine Flatley, a native of Richmond, Ind., and a daughter of John Flatley. Mrs. O'Connor was educated and grew to womanhood in her native city, and is a highly educated and accomplished lady. This marriage has been blessed with two children—John, born September 18, 1890, and William, born December 11, 1892. The family belong to St. Bridget's congregation, and the parents are punctual in the performance of their church duties and fervent in their faith, Mr. O'Connor being a trustee, to which position he was chosen in 1891, and being a liberal contributor to the support of the church and its sodalities. In his politics Mr. O'Connor is a sound democrat, and a representative and popular member of the younger democracy of the city and county, and is, moreover, a highly respected citizen.

LYMAN HUGH O'DONNELL, chief clerk for M. J. Carnahan & Co., of Washington, Daviess county, Ind., was born in Lancaster, Ohio, October 28, 1869, and is a son of James F. and Clara J. (Jackson) O'Donnell, who were the parents of four children, viz: Maggie, wife of William E. Thimmes, of Ohio; Mamie, married to J. M. Rutherford, of Columbus, Ohio; Lyman H., and Jay F., a printer of Columbus.

James F. O'Donnell, father of Lyman Hugh, the subject, was a native of Ireland and came to the United States in 1853. He first located at Zanesville, Ohio, where he engaged in the monument and stonecutting business until 1868, when he removed to Lancaster and engaged in railroading, mining, and the iron trade until his death in 1872, a member of St. Mary's parish and a democrat in politics. He had accumulated property worth \$50,000, but through mismanagement this large sum has been lost to his widow, who still resides in Lancaster, and to his children, who have, however, been able to make their way through the world.

Lyman H. O'Donnell was educated in the parochial schools of Lancaster, Ohio, and at the age of thirteen years entered a hardware store as clerk, and held his situation seven years. He then went to Omaha, Neb., clerked in a hardware store one year, and in 1892 came to Washington, Ind., and was employed by M. J. Carnahan & Co., as chief salesman and bookkeeper, and this position he has satisfactorily held until the present time.

Mr. O'Donnell was most happily united in marriage, in Washington, September 18, 1894, with Miss Lillian Signor, a native of the city and a daughter of George F. and Abigail Signor, the former of whom was born in Dakota and the latter in Indiana, and Mr. and Mrs. O'Donnell are now blessed by the presence of a little daughter—Margaret. The parents own a pleasant home on Main street, where they enjoy the visits of their select circle of chosen friends, in whose esteem they stand deservedly high. Mr. and Mrs. O'Donnell are devoted members of St. Simon's Catholic congregation, and Mr. O'Donnell is also a member of the Catholic fraternal association known as the Young Men's institute, which is designed for the moral, social and intellectual improvement of its members, their mutual protection and relief, and for the purpose of building up in each community a center of Catholic sentiment, and for other praiseworthy purposes.

**T**HOMAS O'FLAHERTY, of No. 1806 East Washington street, Indianapolis, and one of the early Catholic citizens, was born in county Kerry, Ireland, in 1840, a son of Thomas and Bridget



(Rourke) O'Flaherty. Thomas, the father, died when Thomas, the son, was but seven years of age, leaving his widow with seven children. The second born of these seven, John O'Flaherty, was the first of the family to come to America, being at the time seventeen years old, and is still residing where he first settled, near Prattsburg, Steuben county, N. Y. The eldest sister, Mary, then Mrs. Patrick Welsh, was the next to come, following her husband, who had preceded her, to Massachusetts, but she, also, is now a resident of Prattsburg, N. Y. Another sister, Ellen, also located at Prattsburg, but is now deceased. Thomas, whose name opens this paragraph, left his native land in 1858 and followed his brother and sisters to Prattsburg. Following him, came the other children, Kate, Michael and Patrick, and finally came the mother, all finding a home in Steuben county, but whence the mother and two of the children have been called away by death, but where the other members of the family, with the exception of Thomas, Michael and Kate, still reside. Kate, now Mrs. Edward Goggin, resides in Douglas county, Ill.

Thomas O'Flaherty, whose name stands at the head of this sketch, became a resident of Indianapolis in 1862, and May 21, 1872, was united in marriage, in St. Patrick's church, by Rev. Father Fitzpatrick, to Miss Isabelle Boyle, a daughter of Bernard and Hannah (Shields) Boyle, all natives of county Donegal, Ireland, Mrs. O'Flaherty being born February 28, 1851. In 1853 the Boyle family, comprising the parents and their then only child, Isabelle, came to America and located in Bucks county, Pa., where were born three sons—Henry, now of Chicago, Ill., and Joseph and Charles, of Indianapolis. In December, 1864, Mr. and Mrs. Boyle came to this city, and here were born their youngest two children, Barbara and Mary, both now Sisters of Providence. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. O'Flaherty has been blessed with five children, viz: Mary, Anna, John, Thomas and Henry, who were all baptized and partook of their first communion in St. Patrick's church. Mr. and Mrs. O'Flaherty are numbered among the best-known and most substantial members of St. Patrick's parish and enjoy a widespread acquaintance extending far beyond its limits, by whom they and family are held in the

highest esteem. Mr. O'Flaherty was for fifteen years clerk in, and ten years proprietor of, a grocery business, and since 1890 has been city salesman for the South Side Flouring mills. In 1897 Mr. O'Flaherty purchased a lot, and during the summer built one of the pleasant homes on Washington street, and moved into the same in October. He also owns other property, and is looked upon as one of the substantial men of Indianapolis.

CAPT. MENOMEN O'DONNELL, feeder and shipper of live stock at Vincennes, Ind., is a native of county Donegal, Ireland, was born April 20, 1830, and in his nineteenth year came to the United States, locating in Lawrence county, Ill., purchasing farming lands there in 1850. He was energetic and consequently successful as a farmer and stock-breeder, and at one time owned over 1,000 acres, all acquired through his own business sagacity and untiring industry.

In July, 1852, Charles, his only brother, came from Ireland and joined in his farming industry, and in 1858, his father, Patrick, who had lost his wife, Alice, in 1842, subsequently re-marrying in Ireland, brought his family to America, and located near his sons, where he lived until his death, at the ripe old age of ninety-one years, his second wife surviving him a short time and dying at the age of seventy-eight. Charles made his home with his brother until the close of the Civil war, when he established a home of his own, reared a family of nine children, and died September 24, 1894, honored by all who knew him.

Menomen O'Donnell was united in marriage, June 7, 1853, with Miss Mary Bailey, a native of Pennsylvania, born near Towanda, May 9, 1832, and in religion at that time a Presbyterian, but now a devout member of the blessed Catholic church. To this union have been born seven children, of whom two died in infancy, the five surviving being, Mary, widow of Francis Kelley; Sister Mary Euphemia, a Sister of Providence, at St. Mary's of the Woods, near Terre Haute, Ind.; Charles B., associated with his father in the live-stock trade; Patrick M., assistant cashier of the First National bank, of Vincennes; and Nellie M., wife of

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Michael Taugher, chief bookkeeper of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad company, at Washington, Ind. About 1853 Capt. O'Donnell started a subscription for the erection of a church in his neighborhood, raised about \$300 and to this added from his own means a sufficient sum to complete the edifice in 1856, and this church was dedicated and blessed by Rev. Father Durbin, of Kentucky, assisted by Rev. Philip Doyle, of Vincennes, Ind.

After a residence of about ten years in America, he made a visit to Ireland and other parts of Europe, spending four months in Spain and Portugal, and on his return, engaged in the importation of Spanish Jacks, the first to be brought into Illinois.

In July, 1861, he enlisted in the volunteer army of the Union, his regiment of ten companies, being composed of nine from Illinois, and a portion of one from Missouri, Mr. O'Donnell being elected first lieutenant of company A, Eleventh regiment, Missouri infantry.

The first engagement in which Lieut. O'Donnell figured was under Col. Plummer, at Frederickstown, Mo., against Gen. Jeff Thompson, which resulted in a Union victory, the first in the state. Following this, in the spring of 1862, his regiment was attached to the Second brigade, Second division, Sixteenth army corps, under Gen. Stanley, and took part in the engagements at New Madrid, Island No. 10, Pittsburg Landing, the siege of Corinth, and the later battle at that point; was at Boonsville, Holly Springs, LaGrange and Memphis, and was in the siege and capture of Vicksburg, and on May 22, 1863, planted his regimental flag on a fort of the enemy, to be immediately shot away, but also to be immediately replaced by himself—an act for which he was deservedly promoted to a captaincy, and for which he has received a medal of honor.

Soon after the fall of Vicksburg, Gen. Joseph A. Mower had the captain detailed as general picket officer on his staff, doing duty in Tennessee and Mississippi until March 10, 1864, when they passed down the Mississippi river from Vicksburg, and up Red river, landing at Simmesport, La., on March 13. About six miles from Simmesport, with seven mounted men, he captured a Confederate supply train of seven wagons and thirty-two men.

On the 14th, Fort DeRussy was captured and Gen. Mower, in his report as published by the war department, says—"I deem it my duty to mention the conduct of Capt. O'Donnell, of my staff, who rendered me most efficient and valuable aid in putting troops into position. He was always ready when his services were required and was one of the first in the enemy's works."

On April 5, 1864, near Grand Ecore, La., in a skirmish with the enemy, he received three gun-shot wounds in the left arm, disabling him for duty and causing him to be absent from his command until the 10th of June following, at which time he again joined his command at Memphis, Tenn., remaining there until July 4, when the command started for Tupelo, Miss., at which point severe fighting occurred on the 14th and 15th; in this engagement the captain had two horses shot from under him, the fall of the last crushing his left shoulder and injuring anew his previously wounded arm.

The captain was finally mustered out at St. Louis, Mo., August 9, 1864, returned home, and resumed his farming, stock-raising and shipping, at which he was very successful. During this reign of prosperity, the captain did not forget his church, which he had in early manhood so nobly aided by the erection of the chapel already alluded to, and in 1870 assisted in building the church of the Immaculate Conception, at Bridgeport, Ill., of which Rev. Joseph Meckel, pastor of the original chapel, assumed the spiritual charge.

In 1870, he engaged, with others, in the pork packing business at Bridgeport, of which he had no practical knowledge, and during the panic of 1873 his entire fortune, about \$70,000, was swept away. In 1879, he removed to Vincennes, Ind., since when he has been a member of St. Francis Xavier parish.

In politics, the captain has always been an ardent democrat, has been very popular with his party, and while a resident of Lawrence county, Ill., was nominated on the democratic ticket as a candidate for sheriff, but the county was strongly republican, and with the remainder of his party nominees met with a defeat he had never sustained while a soldier.

Fraternally, he is a member of the Catholic Knights of Amer-

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ica, and was one of the organizers of that order in Vincennes; is a member of Jeff C. Davis post, No. 16, Grand Army of the Republic, and has been a director in the Knox county Agricultural society, as well as its president for several years. He is, and has been since its organization, about fifteen years ago, a director in the Knox Building & Loan association, and for the last three years its president. Communities are built up of just such men as Capt. O'Donnell, and even old-established ones cannot fail to feel his influence when he becomes a member thereof.

MICHAEL O'FLAHERTY, a well-known resident of St. Patrick's parish, Indianapolis, with his home and place of business at the southwest corner of Fletcher avenue and State street, was born in county Kerry, Ireland, November 11, 1845, a son of Thomas and Bridget (Rourke) O'Flaherty, of whom and their interesting family an account in full will be found in the biography of an elder brother, Thomas O'Flaherty, given on page 1134.

Michael O'Flaherty grew to manhood in his native land, but before he had reached his majority, came to the United States, landing in New York city September 14, 1865. He joined the other members of the family who had settled in Steuben county, N. Y., and a short time afterward found employment with the Urbana Wine company at Hammondsport, in the same county, with which he remained six years. He was next employed by the Rochester Native Wine company for one year, and then came to Indianapolis, arriving here December 24, 1872. For the first year after his arrival he was employed by Louis Lang, a wholesale liquor dealer, and next by Christian Schatter, a grocer, with whom he remained nine years, and then engaged in business on his own account at the corner of Shelby and Fletcher avenues. In 1891 he purchased the lot he still occupies and erected his present building.

The marriage of Michael O'Flaherty took place September 13, 1875, to Miss Anna Larnard, daughter of Matthew and Sarah (Keenan) Larnard, Rev. Father Fitzpatrick performing the sacred ceremony. Mr. Larnard was born in county Clare, and Mrs.

Larnard in county Tyrone, Ireland, but came to the United States in early life and were married in the state of Vermont, where Mrs. O'Flaherty was born May 1, 1849, and when a child came west with her parents, who settled in Sunman, Ripley county, Ind., where they passed the remainder of their lives. Mr. and Mrs. O'Flaherty have adopted, as their own, Sarah, a daughter of a deceased sister of Mrs. O'Flaherty, whom they are rearing in the blessed faith, which is their own and has been that of their ancestors for generations long since passed away.

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ANTHONY O'HARA, a member of the Indianapolis fire department, was born at Madison, Ind., October 15, 1859. He is a son of Michael and Mary (Laley) O'Hara, natives of county Mayo, Ireland, but who were married in Madison, Ind. They became residents of Indianapolis in 1862, and died in this city, the mother in May, 1862, and the father in March, 1889. He was an employee of Kingan's packing house for many years, and an honorable, upright citizen. He and his wife were the parents of the following children: Mary, now Mrs. Calvin Fletcher, and residing in Indianapolis; Bridget, unmarried and keeping house for the subject of this sketch; John, who was a machinist, and who died in Indianapolis in February, 1890; Michael, who was a spoke finisher in a wheel factory, and who died in March, 1891, and Anthony, the subject of this sketch.

Anthony O'Hara was educated at St. Sophia's school in Indianapolis, and was afterward employed in Kingan's packing house for fifteen years. Under President Cleveland's first administration he was appointed to a deputy's position in the custom house, retaining the position four years. Retiring from this position he was engaged one year in the liquor business, and in 1890 he was appointed a member of the Indianapolis fire department, which he has retained ever since. Mr. O'Hara is a young man of exceptional character and abilities, and is faithful to the duties devolving upon him in every position, is of good repute and highly esteemed. He was married in Indianapolis at St. John's church by

the pastor, Rev. Father Gavisk, June 7, 1893, to Miss Ella Driscoll, a native of county Kerry, Ireland, who lost both her parents in Ireland, and who came to the United States alone at the age of twelve years. She died February 16, 1894, since which time Mr. O'Hara has lived with his sister, Bridget, at the old home. Politically Mr. O'Hara is a democrat, and is active and efficient in the support and work of his party, and he is a member of St. John's church, but of no other organization.

**J**OHAN O'LOUGHLIN, a well-known machinist of Richmond, Ind., is a native of this place, was born April 12, 1856, and is a son of Thomas and Ann (Kerins) O'Loughlin, of whom the former was born in county Clare, Ireland, in 1816.

About 1854 Thomas O'Loughlin landed in New Orleans, La., whence he went to Eaton, Ohio, where he worked as a laborer on the Eaton & Hamilton railroad, and in 1855 came to Richmond, Ind., where he worked at the same employment five or six years, and then engaged in gardening on a plat of ground on the site now known as Railroad and Laurel streets, and also worked a piece of land near the Insane asylum. In the meanwhile he had married in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1854, Miss Ann Kerins, the result of the union being eight children, viz: John; Michael, in the government employ at Terre Haute, Ind.; Thomas, at Jeffersonville, Ind., in the employ of the J., M. & I. Railroad company; William, of Richmond; Henry, deceased; Mary, deceased; Maria, of Richmond, and Anna, wife of Daniel McManus, also of Richmond. Mr. O'Loughlin was always an ardent Catholic and active in promoting the interests of St. Mary's church in Richmond, and was also one of the founders of St. Patrick's society of this city. His death took place in 1889, and his remains were interred in St. Mary's cemetery.

John O'Loughlin, the subject of this sketch, received a very good education in the parochial schools of Richmond, which he attended until sixteen years of age, and was then apprenticed for three years to the Quaker City Machine Works company, of Rich-

mond, and after learning the trade worked for nine years as a journeyman in Indianapolis, after which he returned to Richmond, where he still follows his calling, in which he is a recognized expert.

Mr. O'Loughlin was united in marriage, January 7, 1880, by the Rev. Father Bessonies, at St. John's church, Indianapolis, with Miss Mary Driscoll, who has borne him six children, viz: William, Thomas (deceased), Edward James, Nellie, John Clarence, and Joseph LeRoy, all, with the exception of the second born, still living, to bless the parental home. The family belong to St. Mary's Catholic congregation of Richmond, and Mr. O'Loughlin is a member and is a trustee thereof; he is also a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. The family is held in great respect both in church and social circles, and Mr. O'Loughlin well deserves, by his moral and temperate course of life, the high esteem in which he is held.

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**H**ENRY O'HARA, the popular and genial telegraph operator of La Gro, Wabash county, Ind., was born in Rush county June 19, 1860, and is a brother of J. W. O'Hara, of Peru, Miami county, in whose biography, on another page of this volume, will be found the genealogy of the O'Hara family.

Henry O'Hara received a good common-school education at Bunker Hill, Miami county, Ind., and at the age of twenty years began the study of telegraphy, in which he soon became an expert. His first appointment in the exercise of this profession was at Bunker Hill, where he remained one year, was then at Attica seven months, operated at Logansport and LaFayette, and was then appointed to La Gro, in 1891, and here he has since made his home. He was united in marriage at Attica, April 12, 1888, with Miss Mary Sheridan, who was born in that city August 7, 1862, and this marriage has been blessed with five children, born in the following order and named Marie, Thomas, Herman, Margaret and Catherine. The family belong to the Catholic congregation at La Gro, Ind., of which Mrs. O'Hara is a member of the Rosary society. They are generous in their support of this church and aid it in its usefulness and good work on all occasions. Mr. O'Hara



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has led an honest and temperate life, owns a tract of eighty acres of land in Cass county, Ind., and is highly respected wherever known. In politics he is a sound democrat, but has never been an office seeker.

**J**OHAN O'NEAL was born in county Galway, Ireland, in the year 1842. He passed his youth and early manhood in the land of his nativity and in 1865 came to the United States, locating in Indianapolis. From this city, proper, he later removed his family to the suburban village of Haughville, which is now included within the city limits, and here he has reared his family.

Mr. O'Neal was married, in Indianapolis, in 1870, to Miss Mary Murphy, also a native of Ireland, the ceremony being solemnized according to the beautiful formula of the Catholic church by Rev. Father Bessonies, pastor of St. John's parish. Mr. and Mrs. O'Neal are the parents of six children, viz: Cecelia, wife of Andrew Wall; Mary, William, Thomas, John and Annie.

Mr. O'Neal was active in the organization of St. Anthony's parish and contributed liberally in labor, as well as otherwise, when such support was essential to the successful prosecution of the work. He has always been an industrious man, as well as religious, and is endeavoring to rear and educate his family in such a way as to make them good Catholics and useful citizens.

**P**ATRICK J. O'MAHONEY, a well-known business man, at No. 1360 Shelby street, Indianapolis, at which locality he also has his residence, has been a resident of St. Patrick's parish since 1877.

Mr. O'Mahoney was born in county Kerry, Ireland, in 1846, a son of John and Lenora O'Mahoney, who passed all their lives on their native island. He received as good an education as the schools of his parish afforded, and gained his mercantile knowledge by serving three years as a salesman prior to reaching his majority. On attaining manhood he married Miss Mary O'Con-

nor, and in 1877 came with his wife and two children to America and at once found a home in Indianapolis, where he has been engaged in merchandising from a year after his arrival, and since 1881 at his present location.

January 13, 1897, Mr. O'Mahoney was bereft of his amiable wife, who died a true Catholic at the age of forty-five years, the mother of ten children, who ranged between six and twenty-three years of age at the time of her death, and who are named, Mary, John T., Patrick, Michael (dead), Edward Joseph, Nora Ellen, Margaret, Joanna, Julia and Joseph James. These children have all been well educated, and the boys are pupils at the present day of the Sacred Heart school, and the girls, as a rule, have been under the instruction of the Sisters of Providence at St. Patrick's parochial school.

Mr. O'Mahoney, one of the most devoted and active members of St. Patrick's congregation and a liberal supporter in a pecuniary sense, is also a member of Capital council, No. 276, Young Men's institute, also of the Catholic Knights of America and the Ancient Order of Hibernians, in both of which he holds an excellent standing. As a business man his name stands without reproach, and his stock of groceries, especially of teas and coffees, is considered to be the best in the parish.

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PETER M. TOOLE, an employee of the Pennsylvania Railroad company's division at Indianapolis, was born in Troy, N. Y., October 20, 1849, a son of Mark and Rosanna Toole, natives of county Kildare, Ireland, who came to America when young and were married in the city of Troy.

Mark Toole was a farmer by vocation, and after marriage removed with his family to a farm at Three Rivers, Mich., where both he and his wife passed the remainder of their lives, Mr. Toole surviving the death of his wife several years. They were the parents of five sons and two daughters, of whom the eldest, James, died at the age of three years in Troy, N. Y.; John C., a machinist, resided in Jamestown, N. Dak., where he died in November,

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1897; James is a shoe merchant, of Jackson, Mich.; Peter is the subject of this memoir; Mark met his death by an accident in Chicago, Ill., August 4, 1892; Mary resides with her brother, and another daughter died in Indianapolis, Ind., several years ago.

Peter M. Toole was about ten years of age when the family removed to Michigan, where he grew to manhood and learned the machinist's trade. In 1871 he came to Indianapolis and has here been employed by the Pennsylvania company for more than twenty years. He was united in marriage in September, 1874, with Miss Ellen Ryan, a native of county Waterford, Ireland, but brought when an infant to the United States by her parents. Mrs. Toole was called from earth June 2, 1895, leaving her husband three children—Margaret Mary, Edward John and Frances Effie. She was a true Catholic, a loving wife and mother, and was possessed of many feminine graces and virtues, and her loss was a sad blow to her husband and children, who still live at the old home, No. 702 Lord street, in St. Patrick's parish, of which Mr. Toole has been a resident many years, and where he enjoys the friendship and respect of all his neighbors.

PATRICK O'TOOLE, flagman for the Union railroad company of Indianapolis, at the corner of Pennsylvania and McNabb streets, was born in Clonmel, county Tipperary, Ireland, January 23, 1847, a son of Thomas and Mary (Moore) O'Toole, natives of the same county. The O'Toole family trace their origin to Cork, and the Moore family to county Waterford, and both are of ancient Catholic descent and are well represented in the Catholic ministry of Europe and America.

Mr. O'Toole received a good national-school education in his native land, but at the age of sixteen years lost his father, and, as he was the oldest of the children, devoted his days to labor in the gardens of his neighborhood and his evenings to study in the Mechanics' institute, in order to better prepare himself for the battle of life and aid his mother meanwhile. When about twenty-two years old, he came alone to America, and landed at Castle Garden,

New York city, May 12, 1869, worked for a farmer in Connecticut a month or more, and then came to Indianapolis, where he had relatives, and was here married July 3, 1870, by the Rev. Father Pette, to Miss Bridget Cronan, a native of county Tipperary, Ireland. Seven weeks after this happy event, he had the misfortune of losing the lower portion of his right leg, while employed in a rolling-mill, in which he had worked since his arrival in the city, but through the tender nursing of his faithful helpmate he recovered in time to accept his present situation August 25, 1871. Of the eleven children born to this marriage, Thomas is an operator in the employ of the Western Union Telegraph company; Mary is a seamstress at the Insane hospital; Annie is employed in the Chain works; Kate is at home; Agnes is with the Block's dry-goods firm; Theresa is a student in St. Mary's academy; Richard is a student in the Brothers' school, and William is a telegraph operator in the employ of the board of trade. The three other children died in infancy.

Mr. O'Toole has one brother, Richard, living in Indianapolis, and he is night watchman at the Insane hospital; two, Thomas and Perez, the former a steamboatman and the latter a pastry cook, live in Chicago; the youngest brother, John, is a farmer in Ireland; and the only sister, Mrs. Johanna Atkins, died in England. Mr. O'Toole and family are members of St. John's church, and are strict in their observance of its teachings. Mr. O'Toole was a member of St. Patrick's Total Abstinence society until it was discontinued, and still is a strong advocate of temperance. He is a Catholic Knight of America, and a member of St. John's sodality. In politics he is a democrat, and is a constant and diligent reader of current literature. He has been industrious and provident, and, assisted by his faithful wife, has accumulated considerable property.

**J** ALVIN PADGETT, deputy prosecuting attorney of Daviess county, Ind., is a native of this county, was born December 25, 1869, and is a son of William B. and Minerva J. (Seal) Padgett, of well known and highly respectable old families of the

county and state. Until the age of thirteen he was instructed in the parochial school and then entered the high school, from which he was graduated in 1889. His first business step was to engage in the hotel business at Sullivan, where he remained one year, and then entered the university of Michigan at Ann Arbor, from the law department of which he graduated in 1892. After passing the following year at home, he went to Vinton, Iowa, where he re-engaged in the hotel business for two years, and then returned to Daviess county, Ind., and November 1, 1895, engaged in the active practice of law in Washington, in partnership with his brother, Arnold J. Padgett, of whom mention has already been made in full. His success in the legal profession was assured from the beginning, and his reputation as a lawyer of more than ordinary merit was so early established that on November 17, 1896, he was appointed deputy prosecuting attorney of the county, and has since handled several very important criminal cases in his official capacity. His knowledge of criminal and civil jurisprudence is very comprehensive, and higher honors necessarily await him.

**SAMUEL S. PERLEY**, a representative business man and a leading citizen of South Bend, St. Joseph county, Ind., is a native of Portland, Me., was born October 8, 1861, and is a son of Jonas and Fannie (Smith) Perley.

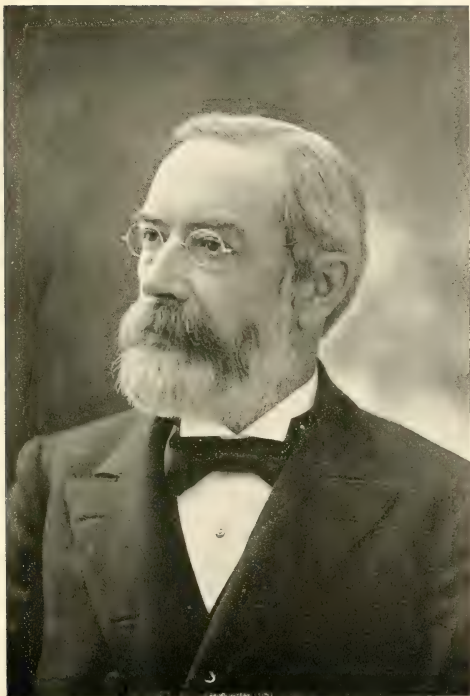
Samuel S. Perley was primarily educated in one of the parochial schools of his native city, whence he went to Detroit, where he was prepared for entering Notre Dame college, which famous institution he attended from 1876 until 1881, when he came to South Bend and made his home with the Coquillard family, who were among the most influential of the pioneers of the city, and the head of which was the patentee of the celebrated wagon bearing his name. With the extensive manufactory of this and other vehicles, Mr. Perley formed an intimate and responsible connection, and on the death of Mr. Coquillard, in 1890, was appointed one of the trustees of the estate, and since then been the de facto manager of the plant.

Mr. Perley was united in marriage, October 23, 1892, with Miss Lillian Cassady, and this happy union has been blessed with three children—Margaret, Samuel T. and William C. Mr. Perley has manifested, in a marked degree, combined force of character and administrative ability, and now stands at the head of one most extensive establishments of its kind in the United States, and is fully deserving of the confidence and esteem of which he is so largely the recipient.

LEON J. WILLIEN, M. D., one of the distinguished medical men of Indiana and a representative man of Terre Haute, is a native of Alsace, Germany, born October 9, 1840, at Haguenau. His parents, J. Leon and Phillipene (Hartrich) Willien, were both natives of Germany, the former born in the upper Rhine department of Alsace, and the mother at Weyersheim, midway between the cities of Strasbourg and Haguenau. J. Leon Willien was a graduate physician of the university of Strasbourg, having been laureate of the class of 1836; he practiced his profession at Haguenau for four years with great success, and had presented himself and was accepted by the faculty of the university from which he graduated as adjunct professor of anatomy, but he died June 30, 1840, a short time previous to the date fixed for entering upon the duties of his professorship.

The subject of this sketch was born a little over four months after the death of his father. When Leon J. was four years of age his mother brought him to the United States and located at St. Marie's, Jasper county, Ills., where she lived the remainder of her life, dying in the year 1893. The doctor remained at St. Marie's until his eleventh year, when he entered the St. Louis university (Jesuit Brothers), and in that institution pursued his studies assiduously until 1859, at which time he returned to St. Marie's, where, for some time thereafter, he found employment as a drug clerk, reading medicine in the meantime, as he could find leisure.

After accumulating sufficient means to defray his expenses the doctor returned to his native country, where he pursued his pro-



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fessional studies in the university of Strasbourg until his graduation, December 20, 1863. While attending the university he was assisted financially by an uncle, and also by the Baron de Shauenbourg, who greatly interested himself in the success of the ambitious young student. After obtaining his degree, the doctor returned to the United States and began the practice of his profession at St. Marie's, Ills., where he remained from February, 1864, to April, 1866, removing the latter year to Effingham, Ills., where he practiced with most gratifying success until his removal to Terre Haute, Ind., in July, 1872. On locating at the latter place the doctor at once took high rank as a skillful physician and surgeon, and his reputation from that time to the present has increased with each succeeding year. He is a member of the Esculapian society of the Wabash valley, of which he served as president one term, and for a number of years has been an active participant in the deliberations of the Vigo county Medical society, of which he has also served as chief executive officer. He was a member of the board of pension examiners during President Cleveland's first administration, for the past twenty years has been physician to St. Mary's of the Woods (Sisters of Providence), and for a period of fifteen years has been a member of the staff of St. Anthony's hospital, Terre Haute, both as surgeon and gynecologist, and of which well-known institution he was really the founder, having originated the first movement toward its establishment.

The doctor devotes a great part of his time and attention to surgery and has achieved much more than a local reputation by reason of his skill in that department of the profession. He has performed at different times over 200 abdominal operations, nearly all of which were successful, and his skill in the treatment of the diseases of women, which he also makes a specialty, has caused his services to be sought for at points remote from the city where he resides.

Dr. Willien has presented a number of papers to different medical societies, all of which have evidence of deep research and ripe scholarship; one of these, read before the American Medical association at its meeting in Louisville, Ky., elicited the highest commendation from the many distinguished professional gentlemen present.

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The doctor was married at Flora, Ill., May, 1865, to Miss Sarah Rider, who was born in Illinois, in the year 1841, and whose lamented death occurred in September, 1870. Mrs. Willien was a grand niece of Dr. Shorb, the eminent Baltimore physician, who was the family physician of Cardinal Gibbons; she was also related to the Carrolls of Maryland, one of whom was a signer of the Declaration of Independence, and another the first bishop of Baltimore. Mrs. Willien left one daughter, who is now Sister Mary Louise of Notre Dame, Milwaukee, Wis. The doctor's second marriage was solemnized in February, 1874, with Mary E., daughter of the late Hon. William Flemming, of Fort Wayne, one of the state's most distinguished men. To the latter union the following children have been born: William F., Gertrude, Helen and Hermine, twins, and Leon.

The doctor and family are members of St. Joseph's parish; he belongs to branch No. 631, C. K. A., for which and other branches of the order in Terre Haute, he is examining surgeon. He has had the pleasure of meeting on terms of personal intimacy many distinguished prelates and church officials of Indiana and other states, and has remembrance of Bishop Quarles, first bishop of Chicago, Ill., Bishops Vandevelde and O'Regan, also of that state. It was his sad duty to attend the death beds of the late Bishop de St. Palais, Father O'Conner, and the old pioneer missionaries, Fathers Chasse and Gueguen, of St. Mary's of the Woods.

The doctor is well versed in the early church history of Indiana and Illinois, and has in his possession a number of historic mementoes, among which is an old church bell cast in 1708, and used for many years at St. Marie's, Ill.

MRS. JANE PAGE, of No. 1823 Senate avenue, Indianapolis, is numbered among the earliest settlers in St. Patrick's, having been a resident here since about 1865. She was born in the city of Wexford, county Wexford, Ireland, April 2, 1835, and bore the maiden name of Kelley. On attaining womanhood she was united in matrimony with Joseph Page, now deceased, and soon

after marriage the young couple came to America, and for a few years made their home in New York city, where two of their children were born and baptized. From New-York the family came westward and located in Norwalk, Ohio, where they were blessed with three more children, and from Norwalk they removed to Cleveland, where other children came to them to bless their married life. From Cleveland they came to Indianapolis, and here was born to them their youngest child, Mabel Marie. Here, also, the honored husband and father was called away in the faith of the Catholic church.

The family of Mrs. Page now comprises seven surviving members of a total of nine children, all residents of Indianapolis, with the exception noted below, viz: George R.; Eliza J., wife of George Bowlus; Mary E., wife of Lawrence Sullivan, of Richmond, Va.; Susie B., wife of Charles O'Connor; William Henry; Samuel J. and Mabel Marie, the last named of whom was baptized in St. John's church. The two deceased were named Joseph W. and Josephine. The immediate members of her household are her eldest child, George R., and her youngest, Mabel Marie. They have a most pleasant home at the number and street mentioned at the opening of this article, and the whole family are true and faithful Catholics. Mrs. Page is passing away her days in quiet ease, and no person in the parish is more respected than she.

ARNOLD JAMES PADGETT, one of the more prominent lawyers of Washington, Ind., was born in Van Buren township, Daviess county, October 28, 1855, a son of William B. and Minerva J. (Seal) Padgett, who both belong to pioneer families of the state of Indiana.

Arnold J. Padgett attended the country schools until seventeen years old and then studied two years in the city schools. In the spring of 1875, he began reading law with W. R. Gardiner, of Washington, and in September, 1876, entered the law department of the university of Indiana, from which he was graduated June 12, 1877. For about a year he practiced alone in Washington,

then, from 1878 until 1881, in partnership with Hon. W. D. Bynum, when Mr. Bynum removed to Indianapolis. Mr. Padgett then formed a partnership with John Downey, which continued until 1885, after which Mr. Padgett practiced alone until 1890 in the same city, when he went to Salt Lake City, Utah, where he was in practice about a year. From August, 1891, until the fall of 1895, he had his office alone in Washington, Ind., and in November of the latter year united with his brother, J. Alvin Padgett, under the firm name of Padgett & Padgett, since when this firm has done the leading legal business of Daviess county.

As a democrat, A. J. Padgett was elected prosecuting attorney for the circuit court of Daviess and Knox counties in 1882, and was re-elected in 1884—serving in all four years. He gave his adherency to the democratic party until 1893, when, on account of its action in relation to the silver question, he affiliated with the people's party, and was a delegate of the latter to the national convention, held in St. Louis, Mo., in 1896, was chairman of the delegation from Indiana, and has also been elected a member of the people's party state central committee.

Mr. Padgett was united in marriage, in Washington, October 28, 1878, with Miss Glen O. Cosby, who was born in Daviess county, January 10, 1855, a daughter of James and Mary (Hixon) Cosby, and this union has been blessed with two children, David H. and Arna Vida. The family are members of St. Simon's church, and Mr. Padgett owns a very pleasant home at East Seventh and Vantrees streets, where a generous hospitality is extended to a large circle of warm friends. As a lawyer, Mr. Padgett has gained a widespread and enviable reputation, and the present firm of Padgett & Padgett is favored with a large share of the legal business transacted in the city and county.

**H**ENRY PARADISE, a highly-respected young carpenter of Valparaiso, Porter county, Ind., is a native of this city, born August 5, 1897, a son of Thomas and Emma (Dye) Paradise, pioneer citizens.

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Thomas Paradise was born in San Paschal, Canada, October 19, 1827, a son of Stephen and Julia (Dunn) Paradise, the former of whom was born in San Paschal in 1798 and died there in 1879, and the latter born in 1799, died in 1828, in the same village. Thomas Paradise attended a parochial school in St. John, Canada, until fourteen years of age, and was then apprenticed to the carpenter's trade, which he has ever since followed. In 1850 he came to the United States, and for five years lived at Rouse's Point, Clinton county, N. Y., and in November, 1855, came to Valparaiso, Ind., and here followed his trade until 1861, when he became a bridge builder for the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne & Chicago Railroad company, in the employ of which company he continued thirty-three years, when he retired from active labor.

Mr. Paradise was united in marriage, at Valparaiso, June 26, 1861, in the old frame Catholic church, by Father Bartie, to Miss Emma Dye, the union being blessed with five children, viz: Delia, wife of Prosper Picard, of Valparaiso; Ella, married to Levi Lagess, of Michigan City, Ind.; Henry, whose name opens this biography; Anna and Samuel—all well known for their devotion to the Catholic church.

Henry Paradise, after securing a very good education in the parochial schools of Valparaiso, served a full apprenticeship at the carpenter's trade, which is still his occupation, having for the past seven years been employed by Henderling Bros. & O'Neill, contractors. He is still a single man, but is well known and highly esteemed throughout the city as an honorable and industrious citizen, and as a free contributor to the support of the Catholic church, of which he has been a devoted member since childhood.

JOHN J. PETERS, a well-known citizen of Connersville, Ind., was born in Bavaria, Germany, May 11, 1849, a son of Frank J. and Elizabeth (Friday) Peters, who passed all their lives in Bavaria, the father, who was a stonecutter, dying in June, 1860, and the mother in 1863. Of their seven children, five reached mature age, viz: Frank J., now deceased; Killian; John J.,

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whose name opens this paragraph; Valentine and Elizabeth, the wife of Henry Runt, all reared in the faith of the Catholic church.

John J. Peters attended a parochial school in his native country until fourteen years of age, and then served an apprenticeship with a butcher. November 2, 1866, he started from home for America and landed in New York, whence he went to Cincinnati, Ohio, then came to Madison, Ind., and worked at his trade until 1868; he then went to Indianapolis, worked there until 1869; next he came to Connersville and worked four years, when he returned to Indianapolis, worked about four years longer, and then started in business on his own account, which he conducted until 1880, when he finally settled in Connersville, where he has since been doing a flourishing trade at butchering and in shipping live stock, and now owns two storerooms and his residence property.

Mr. Peters was united in marriage in Indianapolis, at St. Mary's church, October 26, 1876, with Miss Kate R. Hill, who was born in Jennings county, Ind., February 24, 1860, a daughter of George and Mary (Stuckert) Hill, and this union has been blessed with eight children, viz: George J., John M., Mary, Catherine, Frank J., Joseph A., Henry and William. The entire family are members of St. Gabriel's congregation, Mr. Peters being a church trustee. He is also president of his lodge of Catholic Knights of America, is president and treasurer of the German St. Joseph society, and treasurer of the St. Vincent de Paul society. In politics, Mr. Peters is a democrat. He has been very industrious, is courteous and obliging, has many warm friends, and beside his dwelling and business property, owns 110 acres of farming land outside the town, and another residence within the corporation limits.

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JOSEPH P. PEURRUNG, stockholder, secretary, treasurer and manager of the American Match company, is a son of Theo and Elizabeth (Miller) Peurrung. The father was a native of France, was born in 1824, came to America in the 'forties, and died in 1883. Our subject was born April 26, 1865; was educated

in the common schools, attended St. Francis, and later finished his course at St. Joseph's college of Cincinnati. At the age of eighteen, he and his brother conducted a general store for one year. They then sold their business, and started in the wood and willow-ware trade as jobbers and manufacturers at Cincinnati, our subject acting as bookkeeper. Later on he did road work for five years. In 1895, he and his brother, C. J., formed a stock company of his present business, which has a capacity of making a car-load of matches per day. The building cost \$30,000, and the output of matches is valued at \$300,000 per annum. C. J. Peurring is the president of the company.

Mr. Peurring married Miss Bernadina Klimper, daughter of Bernard Klimper, one of the proprietors of the old Park brewery, of Cincinnati, and they have two children viz: Joseph C. and Camille. Both our subject and wife are strict members of St. Mary's church.

PROF. JOSEPH P. PFEIFFER, principal of St. Mary's school for boys, at Indianapolis, and organist for the church with which the school is connected, was born in Spencer county, Ind., September 29, 1862, of German parentage.

Prof. Pfeiffer was educated at St. Meinrad's college, from which he graduated in the commercial department in 1878. This department gives tuition in the regular teacher's course as well as thorough instruction in music, and after graduating, Mr. Pfeiffer at once began what he had determined should be his life-work - that of teacher and organist. His first charge was the school of St. James' congregation, in Jennings county, which he held four years and a half; thence went to St. Joseph's congregation, in Dearborn county; thence went to Oldenburg, Franklin county, where he had charge of the boys' school and was organist at the Holy Family church, and April 15, 1896, came to Indianapolis to assume his present charge, in which he has given the utmost satisfaction to all concerned.

The marriage of Prof. Pfeiffer was solemnized May 29, 1883, at the home of his bride, Brookville, Franklin county, the lady of

his choice bearing the maiden name of Josephine Schoenbechler, and this union has been blessed with six children, of whom four are still living, viz: Josephine, Leo, Bruno and Clara. The family are devoted to the Catholic church, and the parents freely aid in its work for good. Prof. Pfeiffer is a thoroughly educated gentleman, an excellent teacher, and the school under his administration has greatly prospered since he has had it in charge.

**J**OHAN PHELAN, a most worthy Catholic citizen of Indianapolis, residing at No. 1009 Dawson street, has been a resident of this city since 1875, living all this time within the limits of St. Patrick's parish.

Mr. Phelan was born in the parish of Freshford, county Kilkenny, Ireland, in March, 1835, his parents being Dennis and Rose Ann (Dalton) Phelan. Rev. Father Dalton, of Kansas City, Mo., is a cousin of the subject of this sketch. Dennis and Rose Ann Phelan spent all their lives in their native land, and were the parents of eight children, three of whom, John, of this sketch, and two daughters, being all that ever came to the United States. The two daughters were named Anne and Catherine. They settled at St. Louis, Mo., which is now the home of the former of the two, who has attained an advanced age, while the latter is deceased.

John Phelan was the youngest of the eight children. He came to the United States in 1869, going to the state of Connecticut, and, after living there a short time, removed to St. Louis, Mo., and thence to New Orleans, whence he went to New York. After a time he went to Boston, Mass., and was married at Cambridge, Mass., in 1872, to Miss Mary O'Hara, who is a native of the same parish with himself. As before stated in this sketch, Mr. Phelan settled in Indianapolis in 1875. By trade and occupation he is a carpenter and builder, and is an industrious and honorable man. Mr. and Mrs. Phelan have four children living, one son and three daughters, viz: Rose Ann, Dennis, Mary and Anne. Two of their children, John and Richard, died in childhood. Those that remain have been well educated in St. Patrick's school, and



are all bright and intelligent, a credit to their training, and full of hope and promise. Mr. Phelan and his family are among the most highly esteemed members of St. Patrick's church, and all are highly esteemed, also, in general society.

**C**HARLES PIENING, a highly respected resident of Richmond, Ind., and one of the most industrious laboring men of the city, is a native of the Buckeye state, and was born in Auglaize county, November 7, 1844, a son of John B. and Mary Anna Piening.

John B. Piening, father of subject, was born in 1807, in the parish of Damme, Oldenburg, the capital town of the grand duchy of Oldenburg, Germany, and by vocation was a farmer. In 1833 he came to America, landed in Baltimore, Md., whence he went to Dayton, Ohio, where he married in 1834, the union being blessed with five children, viz: Henry, of Tampa, Fla.; Frank, who died in Minster, Ohio; August F., now at St. Henry, Ohio; Benjamin, at Minster, in the same state, and Charles, whose name opens this notice. From Dayton, John B. Piening and wife removed to Auglaize county, where all his children were born, and there he passed his remaining years as an agriculturist, and died a true Catholic, May 1, 1864. Mrs. Mary Anna Piening passed away on October 30, 1878.

Charles Piening was educated in Auglaize county, Ohio, and came to Richmond, Ind., in 1865. He was here married, in 1868, at St. Andrew's church, by Rev. Father Seepe, to Miss Josephine Maria Rottinghaus, and this union has been blessed with ten children, of whom Mary, Carrie, Johanna, Charles, Bernadetta and Elanora are at home; Henry, Francis, Leona and Flora have all been called away and their remains lie interred in St. Andrew's cemetery.

Mr. Piening has been a trustee of St. Andrew's church, of which congregation the surviving members of the family are consistent members and to the support of the church give freely of their means. The family are all much respected for their moral life, and Mr. Piening is personally recognized as a useful and industrious citizen.

**HENRY PFAU**, poultry and egg dealer, of Jasper, Dubois county, Ind., is a son of Xavier and Magdalena (Fehrenbach) Pfau, from Baden, Germany. Both parents are now deceased.

Henry Pfau was born in Dubois county on June 20, 1854, was educated in the common schools, and at the age of seventeen learned the blacksmith trade in Jasper. He gave that up, however, and went back to farming, which he continued for six years. He then returned to Jasper and was employed in a planing-mill for a short time, and then opened a general poultry and egg business in the fall of 1889. He was married August 22, 1876, to Miss Mary Biggeleben, by Father Fidelis, and to their union have been born eight children, named as follows: Theresa M., Gertrude, Helen F., Amelia, Veronica, Albert F., Alphonse and Herbert S. All the above children, together with the parents, are strict and devout Catholics, and all stand high in the esteem of the community of Jasper and surrounding country, with the residents of which Mr. Pfau has many pleasant dealings in his line of trade.

Socially, Mr. Pfau is president of the local council Y. M. I.; politically, he is a democrat and cast his first presidential vote for Hon. S. J. Tilden. Mrs. Pfau was born August 15, 1855, and Mr. and Mrs. Pfau were both confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais.

**JOHN B. POIRIER**, of Indianapolis, was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, August 21, 1850, a son of Henry and Maria (Wallace) Poirier, the father born in Canada of French parentage, and the mother a native of the state of New York. The marriage of Henry and Maria Poirier was solemnized in Rochester, N. Y., and some time thereafter they moved to Cincinnati, Ohio, later to Kentucky, and thence, in 1861, came to Indianapolis. Mr. Poirier, Sr., was a well educated man, both in the English and French languages. By trade, he was a molder and followed his chosen calling in various places, removing at the close of the war of the Rebellion to Louisville, Ky. Later he went to Chicago, Ills., where Mrs. Poirier departed this life on January 5, 1897. Mr. Poirier still lives in Chicago, and is a member of Holy Name par-

ish. They were the parents of six sons and three daughters, all but one of whom are living, the subject of this sketch being the eldest of the family. Charles is a member of St. Patrick's parish, Indianapolis; Eugenia resides with her father in Chicago; Mrs. Kate King lives in St. Louis; and William is a member of St. Joseph's parish, Indianapolis.

John B. Poirier was reared at home and came with his parents to Indianapolis in 1861. He was, for some time, a student at St. John's school, this city, and before attaining his majority served a four years' apprenticeship as a molder with his father. He accompanied the family in several removals, but, since 1874, has been a resident of the Capital city, and, since 1883, has been identified with the United States mail service.

On the second of October, 1889, occurred his marriage to Miss Annie McNulty, a native of England and daughter of John and Mary (Redding) McNulty. These parents were born in Ireland, but early went to England, where the father is still living, the mother dying in that country. Mrs. Poirier is one of a family of twelve children, six of whom are living; her father, both by education and material possessions, being much above the average, was enabled to give his children excellent opportunities for intellectual advancement; he sent her and a sister to the Ursuline convent, at Thredorck, Belgium, where she pursued her studies for a period of four years, becoming well versed in the French and English languages and the various branches taught in the meantime. Shortly after her return to England, Mrs. Poirier sailed for America, accompanied by her two sisters, but both the latter soon went back to the old country. She has a brother in the Assumption parish—James McNulty—and a sister, Sarah, also lives in Indianapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. Poirier have one son and one daughter—Henry and Eugenia. Mr. Poirier is a member of Weber council, No. 274, Y. M. I., of which he was the first president. The family are earnest church workers, and highly esteemed by the citizens of the community, irrespective of religious affiliation. Mr. and Mrs. Poirier reside at 26 Lynn avenue, where they built and own a pleasant home. They also own other dwellings in the city.

REV. ROBERT J. PRATT, pastor of St. Patrick's church, adjacent to Arcola, Allen county, Ind., was born in Johnstown, Licking county, Ohio, November 19, 1863, a son of Dr. B. W. and Jane M. (Bean) Pratt, natives of Vermont.

The preliminary education of the reverend subject of this sketch was acquired in the public shools of his native town, which he attended until seventeen years of age, when he entered the State Journal office at Columbus, Ohio, and there remained about four years. On the feast of St. Joseph, 1885, he was baptized by the Rev. D. A. Clark, of Holy Family church, Columbus, Ohio. In September, of the same year, he began the study of the classics at St. Charles college, in Howard county, Md., and finished the course in 1886, as far as that institution was concerned, and then resumed his studies of the classics at Viateur's college, Kankakee, Ill., where he completed his classical studies in 1889. He next entered St. Mary's seminary at Cincinnati, Ohio, and pursued his philosophical and theological studies until June 19, 1894, when he was ordained by Archbishop Elder for the diocese of Fort Wayne. His first appointment was as assistant to Very Rev. John R. Dinneen, of St. Mary's, LaFayette, Ind., where remained until June, 1895, when he was transferred to the pastorate of St. Patrick's, at Arcola, where he has labored most faithfully and made many improvements upon the condition of affairs as they existed when he assumed the duties pertaining to the parish.

As a matter of history, it may be stated that St. Patrick's parish was founded, or organized, in 1862, by Rev. Dr. Mathen. It was attended by Rev. H. Schoeffer, of Columbia City, Ind., until 1867, when it was placed in charge of Rev. Theodore Vandepohl, its first resident pastor, who remained in charge until 1872. He finished the church-edifice, and erected the parsonage, the latter being a two-story building of seven rooms, adjoining the church-building, the two structures being erected on a lot of three acres in extent and well inclosed. A cemetery, a mile and a half distant to the east of the church, and named Calvary cemetery, contains one acre, and is handsomely laid out. A school, accommodating seventy-five pupils, is cared for by three Sisters of the Poor Handmaids of Christ, and this was erected, through the

energy of Father Hartmann, near the church-building. Father Pratt erected, subsequently, the Sisters' residence.

The nationality of St. Patrick's congregation is of a mixed character, its members being Irish, German, and French, either by birth or descent. The order of succession of resident pastors, since Father Vanderpohl's day, has been as follows: Rev. Father Wilken, Hartmann, Twigg, Werdine, W. J. Quinlan and Miller, the last named being succeeded by Father Pratt.

ELZEAR POULIN, a prosperous grocer and respected citizen of South Bend, Ind., was born on the Ile d'Orleans, Quebec, Canada, January 3, 1844, a son of Alexander and Eleanore (Turcot) Poulin, both natives of the Ile d'Orleans, and born, respectively, in 1809 and 1819. Alexander Poulin was a miller by occupation, was industrious and thrifty, and much respected in the community in which he lived. He was married in St. Famille, Ile d'Orleans, Canada, in 1839, and became the father of thirteen children, of whom nine are still living, viz: Leander, Eugene, Arthur, Samuel, Frederick, Xavier, Onesime, Theophoare and Elzear—the last named being the subject of this biography.

Elzear Poulin was reared a true Catholic. He attended the parochial school at St. Famille until fifteen years of age, and then learned the milling business, which he followed until 1868, when became a member of the pope's body guard at the Vatican in Rome, in which he served until 1870, under Gen. Klenzler. Returning to Canada, he remained at home two years, when he came, by the way of Detroit, Mich., to South Bend, arriving here in February, 1872, and finding employment with the Singer Manufacturing company, with which he remained four years. He next passed two years in Chicago, and in 1878 returned to South Bend, and for ten years was employed by the Birdsell Manufacturing company. In 1889 he engaged in his present vocation of groceryman, which he has made profitable, and to which his affability and genial disposition well adapt him.

November 3, 1879, Mr. Poulin was united in marriage, at St.

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Joseph's church, South Bend, to Miss Aglie LaRose, and three bright and handsome children now bless his happy home, and are named in order of birth, Joseph, Henry and LaRetto. The family are truly pious Catholics, and Mr. Poulin is noted for his straightforward and honest methods in conducting his business, of which he has made a complete success.

**G**UIDO R. PRESSLER, one of the leading fresco painters of Indianapolis, residing at No. 613 North Liberty street, though not a communicant of the Catholic church is yet in sympathy with it, and his wife and children are connected therewith. Mr. Pressler was born in Germany, July 20, 1853. Mrs. Pressler is a native of Louisville, Ky., and was before her marriage Miss Agnes A. F. Miller. Mr. and Mrs. Pressler have three children, viz: Antoinette, born March 6, 1885; Aaron Guido, born November 23, 1887, and Fredericka Mary, born July 31, 1894. The eldest, Antoinette, took her first communion May 9, 1897, and she and Aaron Guido are students at St. Mary's school.

As a fresco painter Mr. Pressler stands at the head of his profession, and his handiwork may be seen in many of the finest buildings in the city. Both he and his wife are considered among the best citizens of the place, and enjoy the confidence and regard of their neighbors and friends to a high degree.

**M**ICHAEL PRICE, a well-known business man of Crawfordsville, Montgomery county, Ind., and a politician of much local prominence, was born in county Carlow, Ireland, in 1820. At the age of twenty-four years he went to Liverpool, England, where he was employed in the grain trade until 1859, when he came to the United States, settled in Crawfordsville, and engaged in handling farmers' produce for several years. He then became grain purchaser for a large milling company at New Albany, Ind., and for others, and in 1869 purchased his present warehouse in

Crawfordsville and has since been in trade on his sole account. He is very popular with the democratic party and the general public, for fourteen years served in the Crawfordsville city council, and in 1880 was elected county commissioner of Montgomery county.

Mr. Price was united in marriage, in 1864, to Miss Jane A. Reagan, of New York, and this union has been blessed with five children, viz: Mary, Margaret, Mrs. Deering, Jesse and Bernard Joseph. Mr. Price, who is a devoted Catholic, contributed most liberally toward the erection of St. Bernard church-building, is a trustee of the church, and is a most active worker for the promotion of the welfare of the congregation and the progress of the parish.

**M**ARK F. PURCELL, deputy postmaster at Rushville, Ind., is one of the best known and most popular young men of that city. Born and raised there, he has grown up before the people and walked in and out among them in a manner entirely becoming the confidence and respect reposed in him by his large following of friends. His father, James Purcell, whose death occurred in Rushville September 2, 1890, was for many years a worthy and respected resident of this city and a prominent and active member of the Roman Catholic church. He was a native of Ireland, but while yet a young man came, in the footsteps of so many of his compatriots, to America. He was married at Cleveland, Ohio, to Miss Mary A. Barrett, and to them were born the following children: Celia, Catherine, Mary, Elizabeth, Edward, Mark F., Richard, Gertrude and Margaret.

Mark F. Purcell was born March 30, 1869. Early in life he took a fancy to that most honorable of crafts, the "art preservative of all arts," and served the necessary apprenticeship at the printer's case. He worked at his trade in this city until the change of federal offices during President Cleveland's second administration, when he received the appointment of deputy postmaster at Rushville, a position which he has filled with credit to himself and manifest satisfaction to the whole public, whose requirements he serves

in this responsible capacity. Mr. Purcell is one of the most active among the younger members of the Rushville parish. He was a leader in the organization of the local Y. M. I., instituted here March 15, 1897, and was unanimously called to act as the first president of the order, in which capacity he still serves.

REV. JOSEPH J. MERKL, rector of St. Paul's parish of New Alsace, Dearborn county, Ind., is a native of Hamilton county, Ohio, and was born October 15, 1849. His primary education was finished in the parochial schools at Dover, Ind., after which he took private instruction under Prof. J. Schiffer; he next entered the celebrated St. Meinrad's college, December, 1867, and he there pursued the classical course. He next entered St. Joseph's seminary, at Bardstown, Ky., took the full philosophical course, re-entered St. Meinrad in 1871, and was ordained priest November 2, 1873, by Bishop de St. Palais.

His first work was as assistant at Holy Trinity church, Evansville, from December, 1873, until October 27, 1874, having at the same time charge of Newburg, and the St. Mary's hospital, which was very arduous work. Then, until May, 1875, he had entire charge of Holy Trinity church at Evansville, Vanderburg county, and six schools, Newburg, Warrick county, and also the chapel of the hospital, which was a herculean task. From May, 1875, to July, 1875, he remained with Father Duddenhausen at Evansville; then in July, 1875, took charge of St. James and Princeton, which charge he relinquished in December, 1889, on account of sickness, and in March, 1890, left for good. During his long administration at these two places he accomplished a great and good work.

April 23, 1890, Father Merkl, came to St. Paul's parish, where he found 156 families, or about 700 souls. He has consolidated the factions in the parish, and there is now perfect harmony. He has paid off \$1,900 debt of the congregation, has made valuable improvements, including a new altar, new pews, two fine oil paintings, the stations, four statues, a new pulpit and furnace, and the cost in all will amount to \$2,500.





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The school is under the tutelage of two Franciscan Sisters, with an enrollment of 109 pupils. The conservative value of St. Paul's parish property is placed at \$25,000.

THOMAS A. BLESS, superintendent of the Mishawaka Water Works company, was born in Mishawaka, St. Joseph county, Ind., November 16, 1851, a son of Jacob and Mary (Jaeger) Bless, natives of Germany. The father, who was born in 1815, came to America in 1831, landing in New York city, whence he went to Chicago, Ill., then a mere village or military post, known as Fort Dearborn. But he did not long remain there, as he traveled through the southeastern part of the Union for several years, returning from Florida to Chicago in 1848, whence he came to Mishawaka in 1850. While in New York he was married, in 1837, to Miss Jaeger, the union resulting in the birth of the following children: Christian, now of Toledo, Ohio; Catherine, wife of John Nowell, of Kansas; Elizabeth, living in Dakota; Jacob and Thomas A., of Mishawaka, Ind. On settling in Mishawaka, Jacob Bless engaged in undertaking and cabinetmaking, a trade he had learned when young, prospered in his business, and died in 1895, a faithful member of the Catholic church, of which he was one of the pioneers in St. Joseph county. His widow is now eighty-four years of age, the oldest Catholic lady living in Mishawaka.

Thomas A. Bless received a very good parochial-school education in the old Catholic church-building of Mishawaka, when Father King was pastor of St. Joseph's parish, and then, at the age of fifteen years, was apprenticed to the trade of woodturning, finishing his trade in 1870, following which date he was employed as foreman for the Bostwick refrigerator company for several years, when he was appointed to his present responsible position of superintendent of the Mishawaka Water Works company. Mr. Bless was joined in the holy bonds of matrimony September 20, 1880, at St. Joseph's church, Mishawaka, by Rev. A. B. Oechtering, with Miss Rosella McMichael, which union was blessed with four children—May, George, Gertie and Hattie. The estimable mother of

these children was too early called from earth in 1890, her bereaved husband and children being left to mourn her loss. Mr. Bless has always been an active worker for the church of which he is a member, and has ever been ready to lend a helping hand in the promotion of its good work. His life has been an industrious one, and the consequence is that he has gained the respect of the entire community of Mishawaka.

**M**AURICE QUILL, whose home is at No. 1113 Hoyt avenue, Indianapolis, is a respected trustee of St. Patrick's parish, of which he has been a resident since 1885. He was born in county Kerry, Ireland, May 14, 1850, and is a son of Thomas and Helen Quill. In the fall of 1855 the family left their native land on a sailing vessel and reached New Orleans January 1, 1856. Their destination was New Westville, Preble county, Ohio, and they accordingly embarked on a steamboat and proceeded up the Mississippi river, but on entering the Ohio river found navigation greatly impeded by ice; after many delays the family succeeded in reaching their future home in Preble county, where Maurice Quill was reared to manhood. There the mother passed away in 1880, and the father on the fourth day of September, 1885—both in the faith of the Catholic church, to which their forefathers had belonged for very many generations.

Maurice Quill passed his youthful days and the earlier years of his manhood on the homestead in Preble county, Ohio, and on attaining his majority engaged in the sale of nursery stock, and he has ever since been connected with horticultural, pomological and arboricultural pursuits. In 1885, just after the death of his father, Mr. Quill came to Indianapolis, and has made his home ever since, and of the sons and daughters who survived the parents, beside the subject, Thomas G. and Mrs. Mary Jefferson reside in Indianapolis, Mrs. Ellen Gallivan resides in Wells county, Ind.; Michael also resides in Wells county, Ind., and several children were called from earth before their parents were summoned hence.

The marriage of Maurice Quill took place in Ohio to Miss Anna C. Ward, who was called to glory July 8, 1895. Mr. Quill is now

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serving his fifth term as trustee of St. Patrick's parish, and is also a member of the executive committee of Capitol council, No. 276, Y. M. I. He is very attentive to his church duties and faithful in his observance of the teachings of his pastor. He is respected by all who know him, regardless of church affiliations, and his business prosperity is due to his knowledge of his vocation and the courteous demeanor which characterizes his intercourse with his patrons.

CAPT. THOMAS F. QUINN, of truck company No. 3, Indianapolis city fire department, was born in the parish of Kiline, county Galway, Ireland, December 21, 1847, a son of Luke and Dora Farrell Quinn, both now deceased. Luke and Dora Quinn were the parents of seven children, born in the following order: Michael, who died in early manhood; Martin, now in Ireland; John, an ex-soldier of the American Civil war; Thomas F., the subject of this sketch; Mary, who is the wife of Lawrence Killelea, of Indianapolis; Patrick, also a resident of this city, and Katherine, wife of John Killelea, who also resides here.

Thomas F. Quinn came to America in 1867, and at once settled in Indianapolis, and for six years was in the employ of the Kingan Packing company. In May, 1874, he was appointed a member of the city fire department, in which he has passed through various grades, served as captain of engine company No. 1 thirteen years, and since 1894 has been captain of hook and ladder truck, No. 3. He was united in marriage, February 13, 1877, St. John's church, by Very Rev. Father O'Donaghue, to Miss Annie E. Gleason, a native of Ireland, who was brought to America in childhood by her parents. The marriage of the captain and his wife have been blessed with eight children, viz: Mary J., Annie, Dora, Catherine A., Maggie, Thomas L., John G., Florence and Mildred, all still under the parental roof, and attendants at school, although Mary J. graduated from the city high school in 1897; Dora is being prepared for teaching and Catherine A. graduated from the Sisters' school in June, 1898. The family are members of St. Bridget's church, Rev. Father Curran, pastor. The captain was

one of the organizers of this parish, and also liberally contributed to the fund subscribed for the erection of the church-edifice, and is still generous in his donations to the support of the church and her institutions. In his political affiliations, the captain is a democrat. He is a quiet, law-abiding citizen, at peace with all mankind, never had a case at law, has never been intoxicated, and is ever ready and daring in the exercise of his duties as a fireman, regardless of peril. He and family have the genuine respect of the residents of their parish as well as that of many friends throughout the city, and their comfortable home at No. 524 West Twelfth street is the abode of true domestic bliss.

**J**OHAN QUILL, deceased, was for many years a resident of St. Patrick's parish, Indianapolis, where he drew the last of life's breath July 14, 1891. He was a native of county Kerry, Ireland, but was quite young when his mother was called away. Subsequently, the father, with his family, consisting of John, the only son, and two daughters, came to America and located in Washington, D. C., but all of this family are now deceased. In 1870 John Quill came to Indianapolis, and here met and was married to Miss Mary Donahey, daughter of Daniel and Mary Donahey, all natives of Ireland, in which country Daniel Donahey passed away his life. After his death, his widow, with her five children, came to America, and for a time lived in Ohio, whence they came to Indianapolis, and here she was called to rest in the faith of the holy Catholic church, January 27, 1897, dying at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary Quill, when over eighty years of age. The five children of Mr. and Mrs. Donahey—one son and four daughters—all reside in Indianapolis, with the exception of one daughter, who lives in Ohio.

The marriage of John and Mary (Donahey) Quill was blessed with seven children, but of these three only are now living—Thomas, John and Leonard. Of the deceased, Lizzie died at the age of nineteen years, Mary and Julia died in early infancy, and Edward at the age of four and a half years. Mrs. Quill and her three sons have their home at No. 630 East Louisiana street.

CORNELIUS RADEMACKER, a member of St. Mary's parish, was born in Decatur, Ind., June 22, 1862, son of Cornelius and Elizabeth Rademacker. Cornelius Rademacker, Sr., was born and educated in Germany and there learned the trade of cabinetmaking, which he followed until immigrating to the United States in 1845. He located at Minster, Ohio, but subsequently moved to Decatur, Ind., where his death occurred on September 23, 1890. Mr. Rademacker was twice married, his first wife living only one year. The second marriage was solemnized July 16, 1861, in St. Augustine church, with Elizabeth Imbush, Father Steafather performing the ceremony; the children born of this union are six in number, viz: Maggie, wife of John Gerrard; Anna, Anthony, Cornelius, William and Rose—the last two deceased.

After attending the parochial school of Decatur until his fourteenth year, the subject of this biography entered the employ of the Slack Barrel factory, Decatur, where he worked until twenty years of age, when he accepted a clerkship with John Voglewide, with whom he remained for a period of seven years. Since 1890 Mr. Rademacker has been proprietor of a sample room on Second street, where he has done a very successful business. He was united in the holy bonds of wedlock May 27, 1884, to Miss Lena Ardner, formerly of Fostoria, Ohio, the ceremony being solemnized in St. Mary's church, Decatur, by its pastor, Father Wilken; this union has been blessed with six children, viz: Gertie, Mary, Agnes, Francis, Vero, and Lebolt, all of whom are still under the parental roof. Mr. Rademacker and family are parishioners of St. Mary's; he served at the altar of the church during the pastorates of Fathers Nessbaum and Wemhoff.

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WILLIAM RADICAN, operator of the Western Union Telegraph company's office at Connersville, Fayette county, Ind., was born in Union county, this state, July 31, 1859, a son of James and Bridget (Bourke) Radican, who were natives of county Sligo, Ireland, but who were married in Cincinnati, Ohio,

later removed to Brownsville, Ind., and there the father died in 1861, his widow surviving until October 5, 1897. They had a family of five children, as follows: Sarah, deceased; an infant, Sarah, also deceased; Mary, wife of M. Fager, of Connersville, Maggie and William, the subject.

William Radican was educated in the public schools of Brownsville until about twelve years of age, when, in 1871, the widowed mother brought her surviving children to Connersville, where William attended school one term, and then engaged at general labor in factories, etc. In 1875, he began learning telegraphy, and in 1876 was placed in a position at Liberty, Ind., was shortly afterward transferred to College Corners, where he remained three years and was then stationed at Rushville, where he was manager for the Western Union Telegraph company from 1879 to 1883, when he was taken ill and for two years remained at home. In 1885 he worked six months in Cincinnati, and was then given charge of the Western Union office in Connersville, the duties of which position he has since performed in a most satisfactory manner. He has thriven well in his vocation, and owns a pleasant residence on Cromwell street. Like all the family, he is a devoted Catholic, and is a member of St. Gabriel's congregation; also of the Sacred Heart sodality and the St. Vincent de Paul Charitable society. In politics he is a democrat. He is affable and obliging in his disposition, and is very popular with the patrons of the telegraph company, while his many personal friends are warm and sincere.

**J**OSEPH RAMLER, an enterprising druggist of Richmond, Ind., was born in Loninggen, Germany, in 1829, a son of Herman B. and Mary Elizabeth (Albers) Ramler, of whom the former died in Germany in 1832, and the latter in Cincinnati, Ohio, at the age of ninety-six years.

Joseph Ramler, the subject, came to the United States in 1836, landed in New Orleans, and thence went to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he attended St. Xavier college four years, and then learned and engaged in merchant tailoring nineteen years. In 1873 he



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came to Richmond, Ind., where he has since been in the drug business, under the firm name of A. G. Luken & Co. In 1855 he married, in Cincinnati, Ohio, Miss Elizabeth Luken, Father Kuhr officiating. To this union have been born six children, of whom three are now deceased. The survivors are Charles and Edward, at home, and Josephine, who is married to Ferdinand Grothaus, of Richmond. Mr. Ramler has been a member of St. Andrew's parish ever since residing in Richmond, and for the past eighteen years has been a trustee of the church. The social standing of the family is quite elevated, and all enjoy a marked degree of respect in the community in which they live.

**B**ENJAMIN RAUPFER, of the firm of Walters & Raupfer, proprietors of the Columbia City (Ind.) Brewery, was born in the grand duchy of Baden, Prussia, November 3, 1838, a son of Peter and Chrysantha (Fickle) Raupfer, who were natives of the same country and were born respectively in 1801 and 1812—the father being a farmer.

Benjamin Raupfer attended the parochial school of his native parish until thirteen years of age, and in 1851, in which year his father died, went to Switzerland, where he was employed in general laboring and team-driving until 1865, when he came to America, landing in New York city July 1, whence he came directly to Columbia City, and for three years was employed as an engineer in a distillery owned by William Walters, his present partner. From 1868 until 1879 he engaged in saloon-keeping, most of the time in Columbia City, and then entered into the brewing business, under the firm style of the Walters & Raupfer Brewing company, of company he is now the president.

Mr. Raupfer was united in marriage, in 1869, at Columbia City, by Rev. Father Schafer, with Miss Mary Myer, and to this union have been born nine children, of whom four are still living, viz: Joseph, who is the able accountant of the brewing company, and William, Romey and John, at home with their parents. The family are all consistent members of the Catholic church at

Columbia City, and are held in very high respect by the entire community.

The product of the Columbia City brewery is considered as the most superior of any in northeastern Indiana and finds a ready sale, not only in the city and in the state, but in many counties of adjacent states. The proprietors of the brewery are both genial gentlemen and practical business men, and are fair and square in all their dealings. Mr. Raupfer is what is generally known as a self-made man, having all his life been industrious and thrifty in his habits, but is generous in his impulses and charitable in his disposition, and is a liberal contributor to the support of the church, of which he is a faithful member.

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PATRICK READY, a well-known blacksmith of Connersville, Ind., was born in county Mayo, Ireland, July 24, 1846, a son of John and Mary (Maley) Ready. The father was a stonemason, and about 1850 brought his family to America, locating on Staten Island, N. Y., where he lived until about 1852, when he came to Indiana and located on a farm in Franklin county, where he had the misfortune to lose his wife in the fall of 1861. In 1862 he came to Fayette county and engaged in farming until 1877, when he retired to Connersville, where his death took place in January, 1892. Mr. and Mrs. Ready were the parents of seven children, viz: Kate, a sister in a Catholic order at Richmond, Ind.; Patrick, the subject of this memoir; William, of Connersville; Austin, a lumber merchant; Michael, of Indianapolis; Bodelia and Anna, who is deceased. The entire family were reared Catholics and the living members are true to the faith.

Patrick Ready was a mere babe when brought to America by his parents, and made his home, until he reached his majority, with his father, whom he greatly assisted in farm work. He then learned blacksmithing in Connersville, under Robert Marks, and later worked for Jacob Goodman—a period, in all, covering about sixteen years. In 1884 he began business on his own account, and has prospered well in his undertaking. In May, 1871, he

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married Miss Mary Brogen, a native of Ireland, and this union has been blessed with seven children, viz: William, John, Charles, Frank, Mary, Clarence and Anna. The family are devout and attentive to their religious duties, and Mr. Ready has been a trustee of his church, of which, also, Mrs. Ready is a member of the Altar society. He is a respected member of the Catholic Knights of America, is a democrat in politics, and is very highly esteemed for his sobriety and industry in his business affairs. He owns his residence in Connersville, and is otherwise in comfortable circumstances.

DANIEL E. REAGAN, general manager and treasurer of the firm of Blair & Failey, manufacturers of heading and hard wood lumber, of Terre Haute and Huntingburg, was born in the city of Indianapolis, March 10, 1861. His parents, Edward and Bridget (Curran) Reagan, natives respectively of Tipperary and Wexford, Ireland, came to the United States about the same time, 1846, and were married at Worcester, Mass. The following year, they moved to Indianapolis, Ind., where for over twenty years Edward Reagan was foreman of the Sinker & Davis boiler works. He engaged in the manufacture of boilers for himself in 1879, and continued the business until 1882, when he disposed of his plant and retired from active life. He is a faithful member of the church, and has been all of his life, being, at this time, identified with the St. John's cathedral, Indianapolis.

The immediate subject of this sketch grew to manhood in Indianapolis, where he attended the parochial school, and later was graduated from the city high school, after which he became bookkeeper in his father's manufacturing establishment. While thus employed he learned the trade of boilermaking, and also became a proficient machinist, and in 1882 took the position of superintendent of the Phoenix Machine shops, which he filled satisfactorily for several years.

In 1889 Mr. Reagan became superintendent of the heading works of Henry Alfrey, Terre Haute, and continued in that capacity until 1897, the business being purchased in the meantime

11892, by Messrs. Blair & Failey. In 1897 Mr. Reagan bought an interest in the firm and became general manager and treasurer, both of which positions he still fills. This is one of the largest tight-barrel plants in the world, having a daily capacity of 5,500 sets and a capacity of 12,000 cords of white oak timber per year. The two plants furnish employment for from 350 to 400 men, and the success of the enterprise is largely due to the superior business sagacity of its manager.

Mr. Reagan was married in the Catholic church at Natchez, Miss., October 16, 1888, to Mary Virginia Wilds, the accomplished daughter of the Hon. Oliver M. Wilds, a well-known and influential planter of that state. Mrs. Reagan was graduated from the Nazareth seminary, near Louisville, Ky., and is a lady of many noble qualities of mind and heart. Three sons and two daughters have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Reagan, viz: Mary Wilds, Oliver Edward, Cecelia and Daniel, Jr., and John.

Mr. Reagan was baptized in the old church which formerly stood just south of the present cathedral, Indianapolis, and he has ever proved loyal to the faith in which he was reared by pious parents. He served as an acolyte during the ceremonies of laying the corner-stone of the cathedral. Since coming to Terre Haute he has been a member of St. Patrick's parish, of which he is a trustee; he also belongs to the Y. M. I., and takes an active interest in all movements having for their object the moral and religious advancement of the community.

**G**ERHARD RECKER, the well-known and only manufacturer of temperance drinks in Vincennes, Ind., at the corner of Tenth and Vigo streets, was born in Hanover, Germany, September 2, 1830, a son of Gerhard and Angela (Heckman) Recker.

Gerhard Recker attended school in his native land when young, receiving a solid education, and at the age of eighteen years, in company with his brother George, came to the United States, locating in Vincennes, where he learned the blacksmith's trade and then went to St. Louis, Mo., where he worked about

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fifteen years. While in that city he married, November 13, 1863, at St. Joseph's Catholic church, Miss Katharina Seivers, also a native of Hanover, and this marriage has been blessed with nine children, viz: John, who died in St. Louis, at the age of one year; Anna, who died in Vincennes when eighteen years old; Henry, a stoveholder, of Vincennes, and married; Mary, Margaret and Lizzie, unmarried; John, now aged twenty-one, assists his father in business; Celia is a student in the Terre Haute normal school; Agnes is a student in the Vincennes university, and an adopted daughter, Stella Glass, has also been reared by Mr. and Mrs. Recker.

The parents of Mr. Recker, Gerhard and Angela (Heckman) Recker, were also natives of Hanover, where the father died at the age of forty years, and the mother when sixty years old, the latter having re-married, Gerhard being the fourth in a family of six sons born to the first marriage, and the only survivor. Of the six, one died in Hanover, and four—Henry, Frank, George and August—died in this country. To the mother's second marriage there were born three sons and one daughter, and of these William is a resident of Vincennes, and Agnes of Hanover, the others having died in that country.

In 1867 Gerhard Recker, the subject, returned from St. Louis, Mo., to Vincennes, Ind., and engaged in his present business, making specialties in seltzer and soda waters. He has occupied the same building since starting until the present time and has no reason to be displeased with the result of his labors. He and his family are all sincere Catholics and worship at St. John's German church, and in politics he has always been a democrat. He is very gentlemanly in his deportment and agreeable in his intercourse with his patrons and acquaintances, and is recognized as being among the most substantial business men of the city of Vincennes.

**W**ILLIAM F. RECKER, the enterprising young merchant at the corner of Fourth and Main streets, Vincennes, Ind., is a native of the city, was born September 16, 1862, and is a son

of August and Elizabeth Recker, who were born in Germany, but were married in Vincennes.

August Recker was reared a mechanic and in early manhood came to America and at once made his home in Vincennes. He was thrice married, and to his three marriages were born nine children, William F., the subject, being the eldest, and the others being Gerhard R., of whom a biography is given in proximity with this notice; Herman, who died in infancy; August, a carpenter; John, a stove molder; Caroline, Benjamin, Lena and Corriene. The mother of the first family of three died October 16, 1886, and Mr. Recker next married Julia Hatzsk, who bore three children—Herman (deceased), August and John. The third marriage of Mr. Recker was with Catherine Frund, who bore Benjamin, Lena and Caroline, as above mentioned. The father died August 23, 1892, a devout Catholic.

William F. Recker was educated in St. John's parochial school and in the public schools of the city. He received his first communion at the age of thirteen years, and his first employment in business was as a confectioner, but all his mature years have been passed in mercantile pursuits. For eight years he was in partnership with William H. Vellmer in the wholesale and retail grocery and notion trade, but February 1, 1897, he purchased his partner's interest in the business and is now alone.

The marriage of Mr. Recker was solemnized November 24, 1891, at St. John's Catholic church, by Rev. Father Merz, with Mrs. Emma Heckman, a daughter of Herman Terhar, of Vincennes. By her first marriage, Mrs. Recker had one child—Charles Heckman—and to Mr. Recker she has borne a daughter, Corriene, now aged five years. The family belong to St. John's German Catholic congregation, and Mr. Recker is a member of St. John's Benevolent society, of which he is ex-secretary. In politics Mr. Recker is a democrat, but is not aggressive, being rather liberal in local affairs, as far as the party is concerned. He gives employment to five assistants in his extensive business, which is well established, and he is greatly respected for his upright methods of conducting trade, and among business men, as well as in social relations, his name stands without blemish or flaw.

GERHARD R. RECKER, of the well-known firm of Convery & Recker, machinists, at Nos. 8 and 9 Hickman street, Vincennes, Ind., is a native of this city, was born March 2, 1865, and is a son of August and Julia Recker, who were both born in Germany.

August Recker was a carpenter by trade, and after his arrival in America his first marriage took place, this union resulting in three children, viz: William F., Henry George and Gerhard R., the last named being the subject of this biographical notice. William F. Recker is now a grocer, at the corner of Fourth and Main streets, Vincennes, but Henry George died at the age of ten years. The mother of these children died when Gerhard R. Recker was a babe, and the father, by a second marriage, had born to him three children—August, John, and an infant that died unnamed. By a third marriage there were born to him four children—Caroline, Benjamin, Lena, and an infant who also died without being named, and the death of the father took place in August, 1891. He was, with his wives and children, a member of St. John's German Catholic church, and was punctual in his attendance to his religious duties.

Gerhard R. Recker was educated in St. John's parochial school, and later served an apprenticeship of three years at the machinist's trade, following which he was employed for three years as engineer at the Vincennes electric light station. In 1892 he formed his present partnership with Augustine Convery for the purpose of doing general repair work, building smoke-stacks, etc., but the firm is also well equipped for all kinds of work in their line.

The marriage of Mr. Recker took place February 7, 1886, at St. John's church, to Miss Ella Ritman, a native of Bridgeport, Ill., Rev. Father Merz performing the rites. Five children have blessed this union, of whom three are still living, viz: Raymond, Edmund and Anna Marie; the deceased were named Frankie and Ferdinand. The family are members of St. John's congregation, while Mr. Recker is a member of St. John's branch, C. K. of A., and of St. John's Benevolent society. He is a thriving young business man and is much esteemed for his industrious habits and correct manner of living.

**M**ICHAEL REDINGTON, who resides at No. 412 West South street, Indianapolis, is among the well-known Catholic residents of the city, having lived here more than a quarter of a century. Mr. Redington was born in county Galway, Ireland, about 1851, and is a son of Michael and Mary (Qualter) Redington, who never came across the sea. Michael and Mary Redington were the parents of six children, four of whom grew to mature years, and of these Michael and Owen are the only members of their father's family that ever came to the United States, and both live in Indianapolis.

Michael Redington, the subject of this sketch, came to this country when about twenty years of age, landing in New York. Going thence to Pittsburg, Pa., he remained there a short time and then came to Indianapolis, in 1873. October 9, 1883, he was married to Miss Mary Fitzgerald, the ceremony taking place in St. John's church. Mrs. Redington is a daughter of Michael and Fanny Fitzgerald, the former of whom was a soldier in the war of the Rebellion and was killed at Atlanta, Ga., July 4, 1864. Mrs. Fitzgerald afterward married John Garrity, of Indianapolis, a brief sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this volume, and in this sketch the reader may find a more extended mention of the family of Mrs. Redington. She was born in Boone county, Ind., April 18, 1859.

Mr. Redington is foreman for Kingan & Co., meat packers of Indianapolis, in whose employ he has been for twenty-four years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Redington are members of St. John's parish, and are among the more esteemed residents of the city of Indianapolis. They have a pleasant home at the location above given, but have had no children.

**J**OHAN REDMOND, a highly respected resident of Vincennes, Ind., was born in county Monaghan, Ireland, June 24, 1827, a son of Michael and Mary Redmond, the former of whom is still living, but of whom the latter died when subject was yet a child.

John Redmond worked on his native island and in the iron-mills of England until 1857, when he came to America and lived



in Baltimore, Md., until the spring of 1858, when he was employed by the United States government on the water works at Washington, D. C. He was a short time afterward employed on the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad in Virginia, then went to Tennessee, where he worked from October, 1859, until March, 1861, when, not being in sympathy with the secession movement, he came north to Indiana, first locating at Huron, and then at Washington, but finally, in March, 1866, settling in Vincennes, being, during the interval, employed by the O. & M. (now the B. & O.) railroad company, chiefly on track work, and continuing in the employ of the company in that and other work until 1891, when, on account of advancing years, and in recognition of his faithfulness, he was placed in charge of the lamps at the Union depot, in which position he has since exercised the care, punctuality and economy that have won for him the approbation of his employers.

The marriage of Mr. Redmond took place in Washington, Ind., in May, 1866, to Miss Mary Ann Scalley, a native of Madison, Ind., but who, sad to relate, has for the past fourteen years been a hopeless inmate of the Evansville insane asylum. She had, however, prior to her affliction, borne her husband five sons and one daughter, viz: Michael, John, Thomas, Patrick, James and Mary Ann. Of these, John and Patrick died in infancy; James, a bright and promising young man, died at the age of twenty-three years; Michael and Mary Ann are still at home with their father, while Thomas is employed in railroad work in Toledo, Ohio. The family in Vincennes are all devout Catholics and are members of St. Francis Xavier church.

John Redmond, the only representative of his parent's family in America, is one of the most upright and industrious residents of Vincennes, and is of a most generous disposition, being charitable both in thought and action. Although industrious in a marked degree, he has not succeeded in securing the wealth he deserves—owing to sickness in his family and other drawbacks—but he has succeeded in securing the love and esteem of his numerous friends, whose affection for him is quite as valuable, in his eyes, as a replenished bank account.

**J**OHAN J. REED, a leading grocer of Fort Wayne, is one of nine children, of whom six are living, born to William B. and Mary (Shields) Reed. The father was born in Pennsylvania of Irish parentage in 1827, was brought to Indiana in 1834, and was reared to farming in Allen county, where his death took place September 2, 1892, in the faith of the Catholic church. The mother is still living.

John J. Reed was born in Allen county, Ind., January 1, 1856, was reared on a farm, attended the common schools, and at the age of twenty-two years engaged in his present business, worked for others in this line until 1895, and then opened his present grocery store. He was married, in 1879, to Amelia Vaugier, a daughter of Xavier Vaugier, of France, and later of Fort Wayne. They have two children: Henry J. and Loretta T. Both he and his wife are members of the cathedral congregation of Fort Wayne, and he is a member of the Married Men's sodality. Mr. Reed has been very successful as a business man, carries an excellent stock, and is one of the most popular grocers in Fort Wayne.

**N**ICHOLAS S. REIFERS, proprietor of the popular restaurant at No. 81 Columbia street, LaFayette, Ind., was born in this city, April 2, 1856, and was educated in St. Bridget's parochial school.

Andrew Reifers, father of Nicholas S., was born near Berlin, Germany, learned the cabinetmaker's trade in that country, and served out the usual term of service in the Prussian army. In 1849 he came to the United States in company with a brother, Nicholas, who found a home in Blair, Neb., while Andrew stopped for awhile in Toledo, Ohio, and then permanently settled in LaFayette, Ind., and here followed his trade until his death, which occurred in 1858. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Mary Hahn, was also a native of Germany, and bore her husband six children, of whom three died in infancy, and three reached mature years, viz: Nicholas, who married, but died in February, 1895, leaving no children; Nicholas S., the subject, and John, who mar-

ried Ida Broad, and lives in LaFayette. The mother of this family, after the death of Mr. Reifers, married George Strubel, but to this union no children were born, and her death took place in 1874, in the faith of the Catholic church, in which all her family had been reared.

Nicholas S. Reifers learned the trade of painter and decorator, and followed the business about twelve years, when he entered into his present business. His restaurant is neat, clean and well conducted in every respect. The choicest viands are furnished to the numerous patrons at the lowest charge, and the menu is comprehensive as well as elegant. Beside conducting his restaurant, Mr. Reifers acts as president of the Ward Furniture company of LaFayette, which he organized in 1893, as a stock company, and is altogether an active and energetic man of business.

Mr. Reifers was happily united in marriage February 6, 1879, with Miss Louisa Brown, a native of LaFayette, and a daughter of Charles and Catherine Brown, the former of whom was a gardener, but is now deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Reifers have been born six children, viz: John, December 24, 1879; Charles, March 3, 1881; Joseph, July 30, 1893; Mary, August 10, 1894; Louisa died in 1888, aged three years, and Edward died in 1891, at the age of ten. Mr. Reifers is a member of the Knights of St. Paul and also of the C. B. L., and is highly respected wherever known.

**J**AMES REILLY, doing business at the corner of Georgia and Pine streets, Indianapolis, Ind., was born in county Longford, Ireland, August 29, 1855, and is a son of Bernard and Mary (Brady) Reilly, both natives of county Longford, where they still reside. Mr. Reilly obtained his education in the National schools of Ireland, and when yet a young man left his native country in violation of the wishes of his parents, as a "stowaway," entirely alone, so far as relatives and friends were concerned. Landing at Castle Garden, N. Y., he went thence to Columbus, Ohio, and from Columbus as a center he worked in different states, principally in Ohio,

as a builder of telegraph lines. Having been engaged twenty-five years in this work he resigned his position with the Western Union Telegraph company, and entered the employ of the company operating the telegraph line between Indianapolis and Vincennes, remaining seven years thus employed, being then appointed superintendent of the Fire Alarm Telegraph line of Indianapolis; he retained this position two months, when he resigned and established himself in business on Illinois street, Indianapolis, remaining there two years, when he sold out and constructed a building of his own on the corner of Georgia and Pine streets, to which he removed from No. 100 Monk street. In business Mr. Reilly has been fairly successful, and is a man of great energy and enterprise. He has not seen his parents since leaving them in Ireland so many years ago, and only one brother, has visited him in this country.

Mr. Reilly was married in St. John's church, Indianapolis, by Mgr. Bessonies, May 1, 1881, to Miss Catharine Dougherty, a native of Canada, but of Irish parentage. He and his wife have had a family of three sons and two daughters, viz: Bernard, Maurice (killed by the cars), Mary Josephine, Catherine and John James. The family are all members of the church of the Holy Cross, and the children are attending the school of that church. Bernard, the eldest child, has been president of the Almysius society for the last three years. Mr. Reilly has been a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, but is not now an affiliating member. He is, however, an active member of the Young Men's institute. Politically he is an influential democrat, and as such was elected a member of the board of aldermen in 1880, by a very large majority. After serving one term a new charter went into effect, which legislated him out of office.

Though Mr. Reilly left his native country in defiance of parental authority, he has never had occasion to regret the step he took, and perhaps it may be stated that the fact of his having done so is indicative of a spirit of independence. In business and social affairs, as well as affairs political, he is active and successful, and is recognized as a leader in local matters. He is a man of advanced and progressive ideas, and such is his character and conduct that he is everywhere held in high esteem.

**JOHN J. REILLY**, the energetic and trustworthy real-estate, insurance and loan agent, of No. 146 East Market street, Indianapolis, is a native of this city and was born August 31, 1868, a son of John and Bridget Costello Reilly, who were born in county Kerry, Ireland, and were married in Madison, Ind., in 1862.

John Reilly was a shoe manufacturer by trade, came to Indianapolis about 1865, and here followed his trade until his death, which occurred November 23, 1895, his wife having departed November 6, 1886. Of their nine children, eight are still living, viz: Maurice J., who is bookkeeper in the office of the Western Union Telegraph company; Hannah; John J., the subject of this memoir; James W. is a salesman for the Indianapolis Millinery company; Robert M. is a clerk in the mercantile house of L. S. Ayers & Co.; Katherine; Mary, and William L., an employee of the Indianapolis Fire Insurance association. The surviving members of this family all reside in the dwelling where the parents died, the sisters performing the household duties.

John J. Reilly received a sound education in St. John's parochial school, and then entered the office of C. F. Sayles, where he familiarized himself with the details of his present business. February 1, 1896, he united in partnership with H. E. Fieber, and opened his present office, where he has since done an excellent real estate and loan business, and where he represents, beside, some of the strongest insurance companies in the country, and does a collecting business, in all of which he has had an experience now extending over a period of fifteen years.

Mr. Reilly is a member of St. John's church and of the Young Men's institute, and, politically, is a democrat. He is a young man of most exemplary habits, and has earned for himself a business reputation that gives every promise for a future success, brighter than all the past has been.

**PATRICK REILLEY**, a popular citizen of Hammond, Lake county, Ind., mayor of the city, and a representative business man in the grocery trade, was born January 1, 1848, in the village of Verplanck, Westchester county, N. Y., about thirty miles up the

Hudson river from New York city, a son of James and Bridget (O'Donnell) Reilley, natives of Ireland.

Patrick, the subject of this sketch, by some means reached the city of New York, where he was educated in a parochial school, and then by some other means, reached Philadelphia, Pa., where he enlisted as a drummer boy, October 23, 1863, at the age of fifteen years, in the marine corps, and served on the frigates *Don* (Admiral Parker's flagship), *De Soto* and *Brooklyn*. On board the *De Soto* he was at the capture of Fort Fisher, and later took part in the chase after and capture of John Wilkes Booth, the assassin of Abraham Lincoln. His service on board the *Brooklyn* was under a re-enlistment, and on board that vessel he made a voyage to Europe, returning, in 1872, to Boston, Mass., where, from 1872 until 1875, he was foreman in the United States navy yard. Mr. Reilley was also one of the earliest oleomargarine (factitious butter) makers in the country, serving about three years as superintendent for Reed & Hobbs in their butterine factory in Boston, and later as superintendent for John Riordan & Son, at Cambridgeport, Mass., but a few years later returned to Boston and for one year had charge of R. T. Cochran's oleomargarine factory.

In 1884 Mr. Reilley came to Hammond, Ind., and for ten years was superintendent in the meat-packing house of G. H. Hammond & Co. During the year 1894 he was engaged in the plumbing business, under the firm name of Reilley & O'Shea, and then engaged in his present grocery trade in partnership with his sons. In politics a democrat, he was for nine years a member of the city council of Hammond, and was its president in 1890-91; in 1892 he was appointed mayor to fill out an unexpired term, and in 1894 he was nominated by his party as its candidate for the mayoralty, but through an aggressive campaign made against him by the A. P. A., he was defeated. In religion, Mr. Reilley is a devout Catholic and is prominent as a member of All Saints church of Hammond, of which his family also are members, and Mr. Reilley is, beside, state chief ranger of the Catholic Order of Foresters.

The marriage of Mr. Reilley took place in Boston, Mass., May 1, 1870, to Miss Mary A. McSweeney, the Rev. Father Galvin

performing the ceremony, and this marriage has been blessed with the following named children: Mary A., James C., Edward, Catharine, Bridget, Bessie, Julia, living, and five others deceased. All the family are generous in their contributions to the support of the church, and their social standing is with the best circles of Hammond, while Mr. Reilley, as a business man, is upright in all his dealings and bears an untarnished reputation.

In the spring election of 1898 Mr. Reilley was elected mayor of the city by the gratifying majority of 300.

**J**OHNS REINSEL, the well-known boot and shoe merchant of Washington, Daviess county, Ind., was born in Lebanon, Pa., August 20, 1822, a son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Seifert) Reinsel, both now deceased.

Daniel Reinsel was born, reared, educated and married in Lebanon, Pa., was a farmer in good circumstances, and followed his vocation until his death, which was caused by a stroke of lightning in 1822—the year in which John, the subject of this biographical sketch, first saw the light of day. His widow survived him until 1845, when she died in the faith of the Catholic church, of which her husband had also been a member, in St. Mary's parish, Lebanon county. Of their six children—Joseph, Hannah, George, William, Daniel and John—the last named, the subject, is the only survivor.

John Reinsel received a good common-school education and remained with his mother until thirteen years of age, when he went to work in a tanyard in Berks county, where he was employed four years, and then apprenticed for three years to the shoemaking trade at Meyerstown, Lebanon county. After serving out his time, he went to western Pennsylvania and worked as a journeyman until 1844, when he went to Philadelphia, where he found employment at his trade until 1850, when he came west, reaching Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1851, where he worked one year, then worked in Indianapolis, Ind., until the spring of 1853; he then returned to Cincinnati, and a year later went back to Lebanon, Pa.; the

next year he went to St. Paul, Minn., and a short time afterward again went to Cincinnati, where he remained until 1861, when he came to Washington, Ind., and this city has since been his home. Here, for some little time he continued to work as a journeyman, but soon found an opportunity to lay in the necessary stock of goods and to open his present shoe emporium.

Mr. Reinsel was united in marriage, in Cincinnati, January 13, 1861, with Miss Elizabeth Hopkins, a native of Ireland, who bore him one child—Francis Xavier. Mrs. Reinsel, a devoted Catholic, was called to rest December 12, 1896, and her remains lie interred in St. John's cemetery. Mr. Reinsel and his sons are members of the St. Simon congregation, and in politics are democratic. Mr. Reinsel carries a fine line of goods, is honest in all his representations, is popular as a tradesman and citizen, and his is the favorite shoe mart of Washington. Francis X. Reinsel was born February 8, 1862, and was reared in the mercantile business by his father, and is now a member of the firm. He was married in June, 1895, to Terese B. Leahigh, who was born at Cairo, Ill., and this union has been blessed with one daughter—Catherine Elizabeth, born September 17, 1897.

**A**DAM A. REINHART, of Fort Wayne, is one of four children born to Matthias and Anna (Bargus) Reinhart, natives of Germany, where the father, who was born in 1830, was engaged in the shoe business, but came to the United States in 1848, and settled in Fort Wayne, where he was employed by John Mohr. The father died in 1860, a faithful member of the Catholic church.

Adam A. Reinhart was born June 2, 1868, in Fort Wayne, attended the common schools, and, at the age of thirteen years, began work for J. B. White, as cashier, in which position he remained for eight years. He then entered the employ of Siemon in his book store, where he worked for three years; then was one year with another firm of Fort Wayne; then, in 1892, entered the employ of Reuben S. Patterson, has charge of the fur goods, and still holds this position.



Mr. Reinhart was married August 8, 1893, to Miss Lizzie Heing, a daughter of Nick and Mary (Schele) Heing, of Fort Wayne, by whom he has two children: Marguerite M., three years of age November 30, 1897, and Edward J. R., one year old October 6, 1897. The parents are ardent Catholics, stand high in the esteem of the community, and are well deserving of the respect in which they are held within and without the pale of the church.

**HON. GERHARD REITER**, vice-president of the German National bank, of Vincennes, Ind., is a son of Kasper and Mary E. (Bultman) Reiter, and was born in Vincennes September 1, 1849.

Kasper Reiter, father of subject, was born near Osnabrueck, a village in the province of Hagen, kingdom of Hanover, February 9, 1823, and Mary E. Bultman, mother of subject, was born in the same place November 11, 1826. They were single when they left their native land in different ships, and Kasper arrived in New Orleans, La., December 22, 1846. Omitting mention of intervening incidents, it will suffice to say that they were married in St. John's parish, Vincennes, Ind., May 23, 1848, Rev. C. Schniederjans officiating. The result of this marriage was nine children, of whom five died either in infancy or childhood, the Hon. Gerhard Reiter being the first born. Of the other survivors of the nine, Kasper H. is a mechanic, residing in Vincennes; Frank G. is deputy circuit clerk of Knox county, Ind.; Katherine is the widow of Andrew Caulup, and resides with her parents in Vincennes. The father was carpenter and builder, having retired from active life ten or more years ago.

Hon. Gerhard Reiter received a thorough business education, and at the age of fifteen years entered the office of the county auditor and filled the position of deputy there for eleven years. At the age of twenty-six years he was elected to fill the position of auditor of his county and was re-elected, making a continuous service in that important position of nineteen years. His familiarity with business pertaining to public affairs became so well recog-

nized that he was frequently consulted by officials in the counties throughout his congressional district. In 1880 he was elected secretary of the Knox County Agricultural & Mechanical association. This is one of the largest and most successful agricultural societies in the state, involving a high degree of executive ability and the knowledge of successful agricultural methods. While auditor his reports and official communications to the state officers were marked for their neatness and systematic accuracy, and so his reports to the agricultural board have received special recognition. In 1881 the state board awarded its silver medal to his society for the superior excellence of his official report. In 1884 he was nominated as a joint representative for the counties of Knox, Greene and Sullivan, and was elected by over 2,000 majority.

In the spring of 1888 Mr. Reiter was one of the organizers of the German National bank of Vincennes, Ind., with a capital stock of \$100,000. Since that time he has held continuously the position of vice-president. The German National is considered one of the solid institutions of the state. Mr. Reiter has many times been honored by his fellow-citizens in local affairs, having for several terms filled the position of treasurer of the school board and has been treasurer of St. John's church for the past fifteen years. The great esteem in which he is held is indicated by the numerous wills and testaments probated in the circuit court, naming him as executor. He is an honored and prominent member of the Catholic Knights of America, is an earnest and conscientious supporter of assessments as advocated by fraternal societies, and his early career well fits him for the arduous work required of successful fraternal exponents. It may be added that the Fraternal Monitor, the able organ of fraternal societies, published in Newark, N. J., in its edition of January 1, 1897, heartily commended the action of the various branches of the Catholic Knights of Vincennes, as well as other branches throughout the United States, in presenting his name for the office of supreme treasurer of this sterling organization, to which he was elected May 15, 1897, at Mobile, Alabama.

Mr. Reiter was most happily united in matrimony October

24, 1871, in Vincennes, with Miss Ellen Greene, a native of Belfast, Ireland, who came to America with her sister and widowed mother in 1866. The father died in Belfast, in middle life, and the mother, who bore the maiden name of Hunter, died in Vincennes November 5, 1883. Mr. and Mrs. Reiter have no children, but contribute very freely to the care of the orphanages of the city as well as to the support of St. John's church, of which both are devout members. Mr. Reiter is a courteous and intelligent gentleman, and well deserves all the honors that have been bestowed upon him, as well as those which are undoubtedly yet to come.

**F**RANK G. REITER, one of the popular young men of Vincennes, was born in affluence on this historic spot of Catholicity, August 24, 1862. He received a thorough education in the parochial schools of his church, and in the high school of his native city of Vincennes.

When a mere lad, he began his public career as deputy county auditor, serving from 1877 until 1886, and his life has thus far been spent in honorable official stations. From 1886 until 1889 he filled acceptably the position of deputy postmaster. In the year last named he accepted a position, as clerk and accountant, in the service of the Indianapolis & Vincennes Railway company, serving this company and the Big Four in that capacity until 1892, when he accepted his present position as deputy clerk of circuit court of Knox county, Ind. The genealogy of the Reiter family is fully represented in the sketch of Hon. Gerhard Reiter, an elder brother. The family life is therein traced to the parent country, and its social, religious and business characteristics fully presented.

On the twenty-third day of February, 1886, Mr. Reiter was united in wedlock with Miss Ella Terhar, a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, though her childhood years and married life have been spent in Vincennes, her parents having removed to this city when she was a child, and here she received a thorough scholastic training in the parochial schools. Mr. and Mrs. Reiter are members of St.

John's German Catholic church, of which their respective families have been prominent and active members for many years. Mr. Reiter has also been prominently identified with St. John's branch, No. 533, C. K. of A., from its organization in 1888, from which date he has been the secretary. He is also an active and influential member of the uniform rank, C. K. of A., is first lieutenant of the local organization, and a member of St. John's Benevolent society—a social and beneficial order sanctioned and encouraged by the church.

THOMAS RILEY, an ex-policeman of Washington, Ind., and proprietor of one of the leading retail liquor establishments of that city, was born in Daviess county, February 27, 1845, and is the son of Patrick and Mary (Cassidy) Riley, both natives of Ireland. His father was born in county Cavan, Ireland, in 1804, son of Thomas and Bridget (Bigelow) Riley, the former of county Cavan, the latter of county Monaghan. They were faithful Catholics, and the parents of Patrick, our subject's father, and Owen, deceased. When Patrick was about twenty years old he came to America and located in Pennsylvania. His first net earnings in this country were applied to procuring the passage of his father across the ocean. He had entered some land in Barr township, Daviess county, Ind., in 1838, and in 1839 was joined by his father (his mother having previously died), who died at New Albany in 1854. Patrick Riley married Mary Cassidy, at Cincinnati, Ohio. He died in June, 1850; she in November, 1872. They were the parents of the following children: Mary A., Julia, Thomas, Margaret and Mary, of whom Thomas, our subject, alone survives. All were earnest Catholics and progressive farmers, accumulating an estate of 240 acres in Daviess county, which fell to Thomas, the subject of this sketch.

Thomas Riley was educated in the common schools of the county, remaining at home until 1874, working on the farm during the summer months and being engaged in railroad work during the winters. In 1874 he sold the farm and engaged in the retail liquor business in Washington, in which business he has continued since.

with the exception of two years—1883-84—when he served on the Washington police force.

July 3, 1870, Mr. Riley married Miss Mary Collins, who was born in Daviess county in June, 1847, daughter of Patrick and Mary Collins, natives of Ireland. To them have been born four children: Mary, deceased; Julia; Mary and Helen. Mr. Riley owns his residence property on Flora street, and has been prosperous in his business. Politically, he is a democrat, and takes a proper degree of interest in local affairs. He and his family are members of St. Simon's parish, and contribute liberally to the church.

**H**UGH REYNOLDS, a respected Catholic resident of St. Patrick's parish, Indianapolis, was born in county Roscommon, Ireland, in the year 1824. When an infant he was bereft by death of his father, and when eight years of age his mother brought her family to America. She settled in Hamilton, Ohio, where three of her seven children were called from earth to join their father in the regions above, and where, about the year 1850, her own death took place, having been, in the meantime, most filially cared for by our subject and her three other surviving children.

Hugh Reynolds was united in marriage, September 11, 1851, with Miss Ellen Hangley, who was born February, 1834, also in Roscommon county, Ireland, and who was likewise early bereft of her parents and when a child came to America with her brothers and sisters, and grew to womanhood in Hamilton, Ohio. From Hamilton Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds removed to Cambridge City, Ind., where they resided a few years, and then, in 1874, came to Indianapolis, where they still reside, respected by all who know them. To their marriage have been born five sons and four daughters—Thomas, Beatrice, Owen C., Mary, Hugh B., George J., John F., Catherine and Gertrude. The family have their home at No. 1202 Hoyt avenue, where they are respected as being among the earnest and active workers in the interests of St. Patrick's parish. Mr. Reynolds learned the trade of cooper, which he followed through life, and for many years was foreman in the shops of the Standard Oil company. He now lives a retired life.

JOHN RING, who resides with his wife at No. 829 Dougherty street, Indianapolis, Ind., dates his residence in this city from 1865. Mr. Ring was born in county Cork, Ireland, January 6, 1830, and in that county lived until he was twenty-four years of age. In 1854 he came to the United States, landing in New York and going thence directly to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he was married August 22, 1858, to Miss Julia Hennessy, also a native of county Cork, and who came to this country when fifteen years of age.

On the 29th of April, 1864, Mr. and Mrs. Ring arrived in Indianapolis, at a time when St. John's and St. Mary's parishes were the only ones established in the city. They have always been active church members, liberal in its support, and are well and widely known. Mr. Ring has four sisters in the United States, viz: Mary, of Indianapolis; Bridget, now Sister Cornelia, of St. Mary's of the Woods; Joanna, wife of David Gleason, of Mulberry street, Indianapolis, and Margaret, wife of Daniel Lyons, of Pennsylvania street, of the same city.

Mr. and Mrs. Ring have had no children. They have a pleasant home, and are enjoying the declining years of their lives in the consciousness of duty well and faithfully performed, and in the hope of a better life in the world to come.

DENNIS RIORDAN, junior member of the extensive grocery firm of Creahan & Riordan, LaFayette, Ind., was born in county Limerick, Ireland, February 17, 1846, a son of Dennis and Bridget (O'Donnell) Riordan, who were born, reared and married in the same county, where the father died in January, 1866, a sincere Catholic and highly respected gentleman. In 1868 the widowed mother brought her family of eight children to America, and of these, Catherine, who was a Sister of the Good Shepherd, died in the performance of her office of mercy and charity during the cholera epidemic in Memphis, Tenn., in 1878; Ellen resides in Chicago, Ill.; Johanna, Mary and Jerry live in St. Louis, Mo.; Dennis is the subject of this notice; Michael died in 1889, and

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John is also a resident of St. Louis. The beloved mother of this family was called away in 1873, dying a consistent member of St. Mary's church, in LaFayette.

Dennis Riordan attended a parochial school in his native land until fourteen years old and then worked on the home farm until the family emigrated to America and settled in LaFayette. He here went to work as a laborer on the Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific railroad for one season, and was then employed as baggage master for the Monon route for eighteen years, or until 1888, when he formed a partnership with Robert S. McMillan in the retail grocery trade; in 1890 he sold his interest in this, and made a trip to Ireland; shortly afterward he returned, went to Los Angeles, Cal., where he passed a year, and next lived a year and a half in Sacramento, and then seven months in San Diego, whence he went to the Columbian exposition, or world's fair, in Chicago, Ill., and thence went to San Antonio, Tex., but in 1893 returned to LaFayette, Ind., and purchased a half-interest in the wholesale and retail grocery firm now so well known as Creahan & Riordan, at Nos. 100 and 102 Columbia street. In politics Mr. Riordan is a democrat, but has never been an office seeker. He is a member of St. Mary's congregation, and is faithful to his duty and a liberal contributor to his church. As a citizen he is greatly respected, and as a business man his name stands without reproach.

NICHOLAS ROEDER, the enterprising grocer and agent for the Pabst Brewing company of Milwaukee, Wis., has his business place at the northwest corner of Fourth and Walnut streets, Madison, Ind., and also conducts a grocery and bakery in Carrollton, Ky. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, November 17, 1860, and is a son of Nicholas and Catherine (Spang) Roeder, natives of Prussia, who came to the United States early in life and were married in Philadelphia, Pa. From the Quaker city Mr. and Mrs. Roeder moved to Cincinnati, but a few years later returned to Philadelphia, where the mother passed away, leaving six children, of whom three are still living, viz: Catherine, Nicholas (subject) and Josephine.

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After the death of his first wife, Nicholas Roeder, the father, returned to Cincinnati, and was married a second time, but this wife died within a year of her wedding-day, childless, and Mr. Roeder then came to Madison and here married Mary Schwab, a native of this city. To this union have been born three children—Peter, Charles and Jacob E. Mr. Roeder still resides here, following his trade of cabinetmaker, and is a respected member of St. Mary's church.

Nicholas Roeder, whose name opens this article, was about six years of age when brought to Madison by his father. He was educated in St. Mary's school, after which he was first employed in a saddle factory, and at the age of nineteen began learning cabinet-making, at which he worked in Madison, in Jeffersonville, and in Carrollton, Ky. In March, 1888, he established his present grocery and liquor trade, and since 1893 has been the agent for the Pabst Brewing company.

Mr. Roeder is united in marriage with Miss Helena La Fontaine, who was born in Carrollton, Ky., and this union has resulted in the birth of two children, of whom one, Helen, is still living. Mr. and Mrs. Roeder are members of St. Mary's church, and Mr. Roeder is also a member of St. Peter's society. In politics he is a democrat, and for three years has represented his party, from the Second ward, as a member of the city council. He is a wide-awake business man, began life with no pecuniary means, but to-day owns his business property in Madison, beside his grocery and bakery in Carrollton, Ky., and well deserves the high esteem in which he is held by all who know him.

MRS. MARY ANN RITCHIE, who resides at No. 1523 East Washington street, Indianapolis, Ind., is a representative of an early Catholic family of the state of Indiana. She is a daughter of Michael McGrath, who died in 1852, when she was still a mere child. Her mother's maiden name was Catherine Kavanagh, a native of county Wexford, Ireland, and a member of an excellent and well known family. In her old age she is now being kindly



cared for by her daughter, Mrs. Mary Ann Ritchie, at the home of the latter. Mrs. Ritchie was born in Madison, Ind., where she grew to womanhood and where she married Samuel Ritchie, a native of Pennsylvania.

Samuel Ritchie, at twenty-one years of age, enlisted in a Pennsylvania regiment, which fought to put down the Rebellion against the government of the United States, and served his country faithfully three years, and it is altogether likely that his life was shortened by the exposures to which he was subject during that time. By trade and occupation he was a machinist and engineer, and he died at Tarentum, Pa., February 18, 1886. Though not a Catholic, yet he was a man of character, and was highly respected, was a kind husband and father, and at his death left his widow with five young children, the youngest being at the time but two years old. The names of these children are as follows: Eloisia, at home; Samuel, at Eaton, Colo., a plumber by trade; Catherine, wife of William Jahn, and a graduate of the North side high school of Indianapolis; Rachael Agnes, and Anna, living at home.

Soon after the death of her husband, Mrs. Ritchie moved to Indianapolis, and ever since her bereavement has labored faithfully to rear her children in such a manner as to make them good and respectable citizens when the duties of citizenship shall devolve upon them. She is a worthy and faithful member of the parish of the Holy Cross, of which the Rev. Father McCabe is the beloved pastor. It is worthy of remark that the Rev. Father Dupontavice, who united Mr. and Mrs. Ritchie in marriage, performed the same important ceremony in the case of her parents, and administered the ordinance of holy baptism to Mrs. Ritchie's two eldest children. It is indeed a great pleasure to the publishers of this work to record an account, brief though it may be, of the many virtues of a woman like Mrs. Ritchie, who swerves not from the true course of rectitude and who seeks not charity, but who is setting before her children an example which in their future lives, in looking back upon it, will for all time influence them to live as their mother has done, and as she will continue to do until called to a higher sphere of existence.

**H**ENRY ROELL, the well-known merchant of Morris, Ripley county, Ind., was born in Bavaria, Germany, May 13, 1835, a son of Adam and Margretha Roell, parents of eight children, of whom five are still living. The father died at Oldenburg, Ind., in 1887, the mother having died in 1859 in her native town.

Henry Roell was educated in the common schools of his native land, was apprenticed when a mere lad to a weaver, and worked at this trade until twenty years of age. He came to America in 1854, settled in Dearborn county, Ind., and engaged in farming until 1857, and then engaged in the brewing business, at first in St. Peter's and afterward at Oldenburg, Ind., which he followed until 1867, and then, for three years, again engaged in agricultural pursuits. In 1870 he embarked in mercantile trade, in conjunction with coopering, and is now one of the leading business men of Morris.

Mr. Roell was first united in marriage January 21, 1862, with Miss Catherine, daughter of Jacob Schachere, of France, the marriage resulting in the birth of twelve children, viz: Philip; Frank A.; a priest at Aurora, Ind.; Henry J., who died in 1867; Henry J., Lizzie E., Mary, Mary C. (dead), John, Peter, Alois, Gregor and Anthony. Mrs. Catherine Roell died a sincere Catholic January 4, 1890, and the second marriage of Henry Roell took place July 29, 1891, to Mrs. H. Fesse, and this marriage has been blessed with one daughter, Philomena. The family are members of St. Anthony's church, at Morris, and stand very high in the esteem of the public.

Mr. Roell is very practical in business affairs and has been, in consequence, very successful in all his undertakings. Always inflexible in his integrity, he has won the esteem not only of the general public but of all business men with whom he has had transactions, and his name stands without a blemish in business as well as social circles.

**C**APT. JOHN H. ROHAN, foreman of the finishing department of the Fort Wayne Organ & Piano company, was born in county Clare, Ireland, June 25, 1839, son of John and Bridget

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(Costello) Rohan, with whom he came to America in 1845. The family, consisting of father, mother and three children, first located at Burlington, Vt., but, three years later, removed to Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

In early manhood Capt. Rohan learned the trade of a finisher of wood, which he followed in Milwaukee until 1859, and afterward at Buffalo, N. Y. In July, 1862, he entered in company D, One Hundred and Sixteenth New York volunteer infantry, and served until the close of the war. He was successively promoted from private to sergeant, first sergeant, second lieutenant, first lieutenant, and in April, 1864, he was commissioned captain and served as such with company G, of the same regiment, until the close of the war. He commanded his company in the battles of Port Hudson, Pleasant Hill, Bayou Teche, Sabine Cross Roads, Cedar Creek, Opequan Creek, Fisher's Hill and in numerous skirmishes. He received a flesh wound in the left side at the battle of Pleasant Hill, and a scalp wound in the battle of Cedar Creek, but fortunately neither proved serious. He was mustered out at Washington, D. C., June 25, 1865. Returning to Milwaukee, he engaged in the grocery business. Two years later he removed to Chicago, and, until the great fire in 1871, worked at his trade in the factory of the Burdett Organ company. After the fire he came to Fort Wayne, and has ever since held his present position.

Capt. Rohan was married, May 28, 1868, to Miss Mary Ann Theresa O'Brien. They have had nine children, of whom Loretta J., William H., Frank, Edwin G. and Agnes are living, and Mida, Theresa, Maggie and Walter are deceased. Mr. Rohan and family are members of St. Patrick's Catholic church. He is a member of the uniform rank of the Catholic legion, the National Union, and the U. V. L. In politics he is a democrat. Capt. Rohan was formerly captain of the veteran organization of the state militia and was promoted to the rank of major and finally to lieutenant-colonel of the Second district battalion, and still serves in the latter rank. Capt. Rohan is very liberal in his contributions to the support of his church, and he and family are punctual in their attendance at service, and all are highly esteemed for their lives of rectitude and usefulness.

JOHN HENRY ROHE was born in Oldenburg, Germany, January 1, 1818, and is a son of John Henry and Beudena (Mayer) Rohe, both parents natives of the same country. The father was born in Oldenburg in the year 1766, and died there in 1841; the mother's birth occurred in 1788, and she departed this life in her native country in the year 1844. The subject of this sketch was educated in the schools of Oldenburg, which he attended until his fourteenth year, when he began working for himself on a farm, which occupation he followed for a period of six years. In the meantime he decided to come to the United States, and in 1838 carried out his intentions, landing on the second day of June, that year, in Baltimore, Md., proceeding thence to Cumberland, that state, where for one year he found employment on the Cumberland canal. During the ten years from 1839 to 1849 he followed the pursuit of agriculture in Washington county, Md., and in April of the latter year he became a citizen of Indiana, locating in Center township, Wayne county, where he purchased a farm which has since been his home.

Mr. Rohe was married in Hagerstown, Md., December 2, 1845, to Miss Anna Wyland, Father Myer officiating, to which union five children have been born, viz: Mary Ann, wife of Frank Blemer, of Richmond; Sarah, wife of Bernard Bimer, of Wayne township; Margaret J., wife of William Puthoff, of the same township; Casper Henry, a resident of Center township, and Anna, wife of Phillip Batter, who resides in the township of Wayne. The mother of these children, a most faithful and devoted Christian woman, died in the triumph of a living faith January 12, 1892, and was laid to rest in St. Andrew's cemetery. She was a member of St. Andrew's parish, as are also her husband and family, Mr. Rohe having served for a number of years as a trustee of the church.

JOSEPH J. ROMARY, of the firm of Romary, Goeglein & Co., hardware merchants, of Fort Wayne, is one of eight children born to John J. and Modest (Prayleur) Romary, natives of France. The father, who was born in 1806, came to the United States in

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1854 and located in Allen county, where he engaged in farming, and here died in 1878.

Joseph J. Romary was born in France, March 27, 1842, and was brought to America by his parents. He attended the common schools during his youthful years, then engaged in clerking, and in 1896 formed the above firm, who carry a stock valued at \$7,000.

Mr. Romary was married, in 1865, to Miss Frances Henry, a daughter of Peter Henry, of Allen county, and this marriage has been blessed with ten children, eight still living: Joseph A., Eugenia, Charles A., Clara, Elnora, Julian, George and Frederick. All of these are members of the Cathedral congregation, and Mr. Romary is a member of the Catholic Knights of America and the St. Joseph society. In politics he is a democrat, but business has occupied has occupied his attention more than party affairs, and he now stands at the head of one of the leading firms of Fort Wayne, and also stands high in the esteem of the community as a useful and honored citizen. The family resides at No. 128 Erie street, where Mr. Romary owns a handsome property.

WILLIAM ROSENBAUM, a prominent Catholic citizen of Indianapolis, who resides at No. 717 Beaty street with his family, was born of Protestant parents in Westphalia, Germany, in 1839. His parents still remain in Germany. Christopher Rosenbaum, a brother of the subject, came to the United States in 1856, located in Indianapolis, being quite an early settler of this city. His death occurred in Indianapolis, in August, 1894, where his family still reside. Two other members of the family emigrated to the United States, a brother and a half-brother of the subject, but neither of them ever resided in Indianapolis.

William Rosenbaum was married May 2, 1870, in Indianapolis, to Miss Ellen A. Lawler, a native of Queen's county, Ireland, daughter of John Lawler and his wife, the latter of whom died when Mrs. Rosenbaum was a child of but three years of age. Two years afterward, when she was five years of age, John Lawler brought his children to the United States, and they all lived in the

state of New Jersey for several years, and when Mrs. Rosenbaum was about ten years old they all removed to Indianapolis. William Lawler, the eldest of the children, is a resident of Indianapolis; Mary married John Moore, and died several years ago; Anna became Mrs. Golden, and has been dead several years; Elizabeth is now Mrs. Farrell, of Indianapolis; Ellen A., wife of the subject, is next in order of birth; James is a resident of Muncie, Ind.; John, the youngest of the children, died in 1883, leaving a son and daughter, William and Mary. Mrs. Lawler is a most worthy woman, is devoted to the Catholic church, and strives to live in such a manner as to merit the commendation of all good people, and especially in accordance with the principles and precepts of the church in which she was born and reared.

William Rosenbaum is a man of correct habits and principles, and is a Lutheran by birth and education. He and his wife have two children, William F. and John A. They lost their only daughter, Etta, when she was eleven years of age.

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**J**OHAN ROSENSTEIN, shoemaker at No. 720 South Capitol avenue, Indianapolis, Ind., was born in Austria, Germany, in April, 1853. He is a son of Joseph and Anna (Vratana) Rosenstein, both natives of Austria, in which country they both died. Three of their sons and two of their daughters are still living, while two of their sons and one daughter have died, and lie buried in Austria.

John Rosenstein, the subject of this sketch, came to the United States, by way of Canada, reaching Canada September 23, 1890, and locating in Indianapolis in March, 1891. He married while yet in his native country Miss Maria Stempile, a native of Austria. To this marriage there have been born three children: Frank, fifteen years of age; Anthony, ten years old, and Veronica, two years. Mr. Rosenstein learned the shoemaker's trade in his native country, and has ever since then worked on the bench, giving his attention mostly to repairing. He is an industrious, honest, hard-working man, having been continuously at work since his fourteenth

year. He and his family are devoted members of St. Mary's Catholic church, of which the Rev. Father Scheideler is pastor, and the children are attending St. Mary's school.

Mr. Rosenstein is a naturalized citizen of the United States, having taken out his papers as soon as the law permitted after reaching this country. Politically he is a democrat, but is not desirous of official position, and he is not a member of any society or secret order. His general character and conduct in life are so well known that he is highly respected as a man and citizen by all that know him, and it is this class of foreigners that all parties in the United States extend a hearty welcome to when they reach American shores.

REV. PATRICK ROWAN, pastor of St. Peter's church, at Montgomery, Ind., is a native of the city of Madison, Ind., was born March 14, 1859, and was the third in a family of six children born to Jeremiah and Sabina (Hughes) Rowan. At present there are only four of the children living.

The educational career of the Rev. Father was begun at the famous Benedictine college of St. Meinrad of Spencer county, Ind., and at this well-known Catholic college he received a classical education. In October, 1878, he visited Rome, Italy, with the full expectation of taking a full course in philosophy and theology, but after spending two and a half years in the Eternal city, he was taken sick with the Roman fever, and was forced to come back to America. After returning to his native country he was delayed in the prosecution of his studies on account of prolonged illness, but in due course of time he entered St. Mary's college at Baltimore, Md., and was there ordained as priest by Cardinal Gibbons May 30, 1885. After his ordination he was appointed assistant pastor to Father McBarron, at Evansville, Ind., in the church of the Assumption, and there remained for ten years. June 29, 1895, he was appointed pastor of St. Peter's church, at Montgomery, Ind., and has been arduously and actively engaged in the pastoral work of his church since that date. His predecessor was Father Piers, who spent his priesthood in this charge.

Beside his congregation at St. Peters, Father Rowan has a mission at Cannelburg, which is an appendix to St. Peter's church, and is known as a chapel of Ease, and is a frame structure. The parochial school which comes under the care of Father Rowan, is presided over by four sisters of Providence, three as teachers and one as music teacher, besides whom, another is employed as cook and attendant. The school numbers about 140 pupils, and the course of instruction is very thorough.

Father Rowan is a gentleman who is held in high regard and reverence by his people, and is an indefatigable worker. His scholastic attainments are of a high character and his oratory pleasing and effective. He and his sister reside in an elegant brick dwelling of a modern style of architecture, which is fitted up in a style which is befitting a gentleman of his position. The dwelling was erected but a short time ago at a cost of about \$6,000. In Vol. I are given the facts relative to the history of the church.

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**I**SADORE V. ROY, assistant superintendent of the Dodge Pulley works, of Mishawaka, Ind., is a native of Quebec, Canada, born April 7, 1849, and is a son of John V. and Scholastique (Choinard) Roy, natives of the same city, born in 1824 and 1821, respectively, and married in St. Rock's church in 1845, the union resulting in the birth of three children, viz: Isadore, Julius and Mary S. — the last named being the wife of Leander Poulin, of South Bend, Ind.

John V. Roy was educated in the parochial schools of Quebec until twelve years of age, and was then apprenticed to cabinet-making, a trade he followed in Canada until 1865, when he removed to New York city, where he lived four years, and then came to Indiana, and for six years was a contractor for the Singer Sewing Machine company, at South Bend — from June 19, 1869, until April, 1875. He then went to Grand Rapids, Mich., where he was connected with cabinet work until 1882, when he went to Pullman, Cook county, Ill., and worked in the car shops until 1887, when he returned to Indiana and settled in Mishawaka, where he has since been employed in the Dodge Pulley works. ~~21~~ Here he lost his beloved wife, who died a devoted Catholic June 22, 1895.



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Isadore V. Roy was educated in the parochial schools and the Little seminary of Quebec, Canada, and at the sixteen years was apprenticed to cabinetmaking. In February, 1882, he came to Mishawaka, and has ever since been a valued employee of the Dodge Pulley works—the largest in the world—having risen, step by step, to his present responsible position of assistant superintendent. He was first married, in St. Joseph's church, South Bend, April 17, 1871, to Miss Julia Coquillard, by Father Demers, the union resulting in the birth of two children—Regis and Grace. Mrs. Roy passed away December 12, 1885, her remains being interred in Cedar Grove cemetery, in South Bend. October 13, 1886, Mr. Roy formed his second matrimonial alliance, the bride being Miss Sarah M. McCabe, and the ceremony taking place in St. Joseph's church, Mishawaka, Rev. A. B. Oechtering officiating. This union has been blessed with three children—Katie, Charlie and Agnes. Mr. Roy is highly respected as a business man, and socially enjoys, with his wife, an exalted position, and both are prominent in church circles, being members of St. Joseph's church, Mishawaka, to the ornamentation of which they have donated a handsome memorial window, and to the support of which they liberally contribute of their means.

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JOHN F. RUSSELL, business manager of the New Era, a daily and weekly newspaper of Greensburg, Ind., is a native of Indiana and was born in Lawrenceburg, Dearborn county, February 14, 1870.

The grandfather of subject, also named John F., was born in county Kings, Ireland, where he married Catherine Malloy, but this lady died in her native country, and in 1847 the grandfather brought his children to America, settled in Cincinnati, Ohio, and there, about twelve years afterward, died in the faith of the Catholic church, and the father of the following children: John, who died in Ireland; Bridget, who was married to a Mr. Whelan and died in 1890; Mary, first Mrs. McGreevy and later Mrs. McCarthy, resides in Hamilton county, Ohio, and Richard C., father of subject.

Richard C. Russell, the youngest of the above-named family, was born in Kings county, Ireland, June 15, 1845, and was but two years of age when brought to America by his father, and twelve years later was left an orphan, in consequence of which he was sent to the Catholic orphans' home in Cincinnati, where he remained ten years; he was next placed on a farm owned by a Mr. Fagin, and adjoining that owned by Gen. Phil. Sheridan, where he remained three years, under treatment for an accident, which necessitated trepanning. On recovering, he returned to Cincinnati, where he was appointed lineman for the Western Union Telegraph company on the I. & C. railroad, and was soon afterward promoted to be superintendent of construction and repairs on this line between Cincinnati and Kankakee, and often had as many as twenty men under his charge at one time.

Richard C. Russell married Susan McCullough, who was born in Galveston, Texas, July 16, 1850, a daughter of John and Margaret (King) McCullough, both natives of Edinburgh, Scotland, who, soon after marriage, in 1835 came to America. Mr. McCullough died in Galveston in the latter part of 1850, and in 1851 his widow removed to Cincinnati with her children. To the marriage of Mr. Russell with Miss McCullough were born the following children: John F., the subject of this memoir; Catherine, deceased; Ella M., wife of Daniel S. Perry; Clara R. (deceased); Richard E.; Ambrose, deceased; Clement, Margaret M. and Lillian L. In 1870, the family moved to Lawrenceburg, Ind., where they resided one year; then lived in Cleves, Ohio, five years, then again in Lawrenceburg for five years, and then came to Greensburg, where the father died June 15, 1894, a member of St. Mary's church. The mother, who had been reared a Presbyterian, has also been converted to Catholicism.

John F. Russell, the subject of this biographical sketch, graduated from the Greensburg high school, and for two years was president of its alumni association. During his vacations, while a student, he worked for his father as line repairer, and, after graduating, clerked in a grocery store for three years; he then bought a third interest in the establishment, and the firm was known as Doles Bros. & Co., and two years later he bought a

half interest, and the firm name was changed to Doles & Russell. In 1895, he disposed of his interest and for twelve months was employed in collecting and settling up his business affairs. In June, 1896, the New Era was established, and under the business management of Mr. Russell has proven to be an unequivocal success.

In politics Mr. Russell is an ardent democrat and is very popular with his party as well as with the general public, as is evidenced by the fact that, in 1891, when making the race for the city clerkship, on the democratic ticket, he was defeated by only nineteen votes, the republican majority, at the previous election, having been 281. Since then, Mr. Russell has been secretary of the democratic central committee for both town and county; he has also been honored by being elected a director in the Workingman's Building & Loan association. In religion he is a true Catholic and a member of St. Mary's church. He is president of Americus council, No. 271, Young Men's institute, and at the meeting of the grand council in Indianapolis, in 1896, was elected grand treasurer for the jurisdiction, which includes Indiana and Michigan.

Mr. Russell was united in matrimony, November 22, 1891, with Miss Ella Doles, who was born in Greensburg, Ind., in August, 1870, a daughter of Henry and Ruth (Ford) Doles, and this union has been blessed with one child, John F., Jr., born November 13, 1895. Mr. Russell is a wide-awake, self-made business man, and the New Era could hardly have been placed in better hands than his.

GEORGE RUST is one of the young business men and also a leading member of St. Joseph's parish of Princeton, Ind. He was born in Hamilton, Hamilton county, Ohio, March 18, 1864, and the youngest of two children born to Michael and Margaret (Heamery) Rust. The eldest child was a daughter, but she died at the age of thirty-three. The parents were natives of Germany. Mr. Rust came to America when a young man and was a carpenter by trade. He was thirty-three years of age when he died. Mrs. Rust, the mother, is still living and resides in Huntingburg, Ind.

The subject of this sketch was educated in the public schools, and apprenticed himself to the trade of boot and shoemaker, which business he still pursues. He became a member of St. Joseph's church at the age of thirty-two years and has ardently supported the church of his choice. He was married, May 26, 1896, to Miss Mary Baxter by Father Ledvina, and to this marriage has been born one little daughter, by name—Isabella Koleta.

Mrs. Rust is a devout Catholic, having been reared in the nurture of Catholicism. She was confirmed at the age of fourteen. Politically, Mr. Rust is a republican and is an ardent supporter of the McKinley policy. Socially he is president of the well-known Catholics Knights of Princeton, an organization which is in a flourishing condition.

It was in 1893 when he commenced to operate his boot and shoe store and the manufactory on Seminary street, in Princeton, and by his gentlemanly and courteous treatment of his patrons has won for him a custom which is highly satisfactory to him. His stock of ladies' and gents' footwear is complete, and his custom work is of the best grade. He owns valuable real estate in Princeton, and his future success is assured. Mr. and Mrs. Rust are classed among the leading laity of St. Joseph's parish, and he stands high in the estimation of the business element of the pretty little city of Princeton.

FRANK M. RYAN is a representative business man of Indianapolis, the Capital city—not only this, but is also one of the many gallant Irish-Americans who so nobly responded to the call of the country when its permanency was threatened with disruption during the dark period of the Rebellion.

Mr. Ryan was born of Irish parentage November 23, 1847, and first saw the light of day in the city of New York. He received his education there, and his first experience in life upon his own responsibility was his enlistment in company B, Twenty-second New York cavalry, with which he served for a period of eighteen months in the army of the Potomac. With this command he participated in the West Virginia campaign and took part

in a number of skirmishes and pitched battles. Subsequently he was on detached service at Harper's Ferry, as orderly to Maj. Reiley, and as such served until the close of the war.

After his discharge, Mr. Ryan returned to his native city and learned the hatter's trade, which he followed there for a limited period, and then came to Indianapolis, Ind., where he found employment with Isaac Davis, Conner & Co., in March, 1873. Previous to that date, however, he participated in a Fenian raid to Canada, but was recalled at Malone, N. Y., before crossing over into that country.

The year 1874 witnessed the failure in business of Mr. Ryan's employers, after which he embarked in merchandizing upon his own responsibility, and has since continued the same with very gratifying success. He carries a full line of gents' furnishing goods, hats, caps, etc., and his trade is large and constantly increasing.

Mr. Ryan and Mrs. Catherine Kenney (a native of Ireland) were united in the holy bond of wedlock, at New York, on December 29, 1872, and the marriage has been blessed with the birth of two daughters: Catherine, born in New York city, and Emma, whose birth occurred in Indianapolis; the former married James H. McKernan and resides in the Capital city.

Mr. Ryan was the organizer of the Knights of Father Mathew in Indianapolis, and he is also a prominent member of the Hibernians and Fenians, beside being actively identified with all other Irish patriotic societies in existence in the United States. He and family have been members of Sts. Peter and Paul's church ever since its organization, but previously had belonged to the parish of St. John. Politically he is a democrat of the old school, and, in addition to the societies already enumerated, belongs to George H. Thomas post, G. A. R., of Indianapolis.

Patrick and Catherine (McLaughlin) Ryan, the subject's parents, were natives of Ireland, and for many years the father was a merchant in New York city, where his death occurred at the age of fifty-five; Mrs. Ryan survived her husband, and died in San Francisco, Cal., when seventy-two years of age. They had a family of nine sons and five daughters, four of the latter and Frank M. being the only survivors. Of the sons, John enlisted in the

Union army at St. Louis, and there his brother, Peter, entered the Confederate service the same day; the former was killed at the second battle of Corinth, and the latter served as captain in the C. S. A. until the close of the war, dying later in San Francisco. The remaining members of the family live in Indiana, New York and California, and are all devout Catholics.

JAMES RYAN, who is now living in retirement in Richmond, Wayne county, Ind., was born in the parish of Castletiney, county Tipperary, Ireland, July 17, 1827, a son of John and Bridget (Dunn) Ryan, who reared a family of seven children, of whom four came to America, and of whom one, beside the subject, is still living. The parents died in their country, strong in the faith of the Catholic church.

James Ryan sailed for America in 1848, on the good ship *Gipsy Queen*, and after a voyage lasting seven weeks and four days, landed in New Orleans, where he was seized with cholera. After recovery, he worked on the levee for some months, and then, in the spring of 1849, went to Cincinnati, Ohio, and there worked for some time as a common laborer for a Mr. Curry, after which he went to Dayton, and found employment on the old Dayton & Toledo canal. In the spring of 1854, he came to Richmond, Ind., where for a year he was engaged in general labor, and December 2, 1854, married Miss Johannah Kain, also a native of county Tipperary, Ireland. He still continued in general labor until 1858, when he entered the employ of Gaar, Scott & Co., as engineer, and remained with that firm eight years; for the next three years he served as engineer in the oil refinery of Evans, Burson & Co., and then for two years ran a steam saw-mill for Perry & Johnson. He then returned to Gaar, Scott & Co., with whom he continued eighteen years, and for the next three years worked for a milling firm, after which he served as watchman for a Mr. Henley eleven years, when sickness caused him to retire, in 1894, from further active labor.

To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Ryan were born five children,

but one of whom lives to bless his declining years—Anna J. These children were born and named in the following order: John F., Charles, Alice, Anna J., at home, and James F. The mother of this family was called away in the Catholic faith, October 31, 1894, and her remains were reverently laid to rest beside those of her deceased children in St. Mary's cemetery at Richmond.

The family all belonged to St. Mary's parish and Mr. Ryan was one of the first to aid in organizing the English-speaking congregation, and was one of the first to contribute money for the purchase of the present magnificent home. He has led a temperate, moral and most industrious life, and is well deserving of the high esteem in which he is held by the citizens of Richmond.

NICHOLAS RYAN, one of the most prominent members of St. Michael's congregation, near Trainor, is a native of Daviess county, Ind., was born July 10, 1840, and is a son of Michael and Mary Ryan, of Bogard township. He was educated in the common schools, but his knowledge has been chiefly self-acquired. He was married, May 7, 1867, by Rev. Father Piers, to Miss Mary A. Doyle, a descendant of one of the oldest Catholic families of this part of Daviess county, and to them fourteen children have been born, viz: Mary J., wife of Wm. Smith; Anna, deceased; Michael; Patrick; Anna (2nd), deceased; James; Katie; Martin, deceased; John; Maggie; Ella; Lizzie; Christopher and Nicholas D. They were all confirmed by Bishop Chatard.

The Ryan family has ever been one of the most energetic of the early Catholic residents of St. Michael's parish, and has probably done more than any other in promoting the progress of the church in this locality. The first mass in the parish was read by Father Piers in the dwelling of Michael Ryan, about the year 1851, and the homes of other prominent Catholics were later utilized for the same purpose, for instance: That of Patrick Fitzpatrick, in 1855; of John Garland, in 1856, and that of Peter Daily in 1855 and 1856, and in the latter the marriages of two of his children were celebrated, and in the home of Michael Ryan the rite of bap-

tism was administered to two others. In the brief biography of Father Matthews mention is made of the active part taken by the Ryan family in erecting the present church building and parsonage, and ever since those early days Nicholas Ryan has been a factor, and a powerful one, in the promotion of the progress of the parish.

Nicholas Ryan is to-day one of the most prosperous farmers of Daviess county, owning, in conjunction with his sons, 540 acres of farming land, while his residence is the most elegant in the parish. His social standing, it is needless to remark, is that of a leader, and his personal merits have won for him the sincere respect of all who know him.

PATRICK RYAN, janitor of the United States government building at Fort Wayne, one of the nine children of James and Johanna (Bohan) Ryan, was born March 15, 1832, in Ireland, and came to the United States with his mother. He was educated in the common schools and at the age of twenty-seven learned the shoemaker's trade in Massachusetts, at which he worked for twenty-seven years. In 1864 he enlisted at Fort Wayne, Ind., in the Ninety-first Indiana volunteer infantry, under Capt. Keefer, and served all through the war. He returned to Fort Wayne and was employed by the city weighmaster for eighteen years, from June, 1875, until June, 1893. He was then appointed janitor of the government building, where he is employed at this time, having always been faithful to his duties.

Mr. Ryan was married to Miss Margaret Sheeay, June 23, 1853, in Boston, by Rev. Father Cruce. To them have been born twelve children, of whom seven are living, viz: James E., Mary E., Anna H., Margaret A., Agnes B., John B. and Patrick H. The family are all members of the Cathedral congregation, and Mr. Ryan is a member of the Catholic Knights of America, branch No. 103, and also of St. Joseph's Catholic Benevolent society, St. Bernard Benevolent society, division No. 1, Ancient Order of Hibernians, No. 211, and of the G. A. R., of which he was one of the first members in Fort Wayne. He is the corresponding secre-



tary of the Catholic Knights of America, St. Joseph society, and of St. Bernard Benevolent society, and is financial secretary of division No. 1, A. O. H.

**R**ICHARD RYAN, deceased, was born in county Tipperary, Ireland, about the year 1828, and, coming to the United States when a young man, located in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he married Miss Nora Glasgow, also a native of county Tipperary. From Cincinnati, Mr. Ryan and family removed to Madison, Ind., whence they came to Indianapolis in 1882, was for several years engaged in the produce trade, but was called to rest February 14, 1892. He was one of the early members of St. Anthony's congregation and lent his willing aid to the development of the church society and the erection of the church-edifice, which was begun but a year or two before his decease. He was a most faithful Catholic and a worthy citizen, and his death was the cause of deep mourning to a wide acquaintance, beside his immediate family, the survivors of which are six in number, viz: Mrs. Nora Ryan and five children—Maggie, wife of James Scanlon, of Louisville, Ky.; Mary, wife of William Hopkins; Joseph R., the elder son; Nellie and John. The unmarried children reside with their mother at their pleasant home, No. 122 Belmont avenue, and all are faithful members of St. Anthony's church, to which, as did the father before them, the children freely contribute of their means, and the mother, now in her declining years, finds in this church the consolation which all enjoy who have spent their lives under the ministrations of the clergymen of the blessed faith.

**W**ILLIAM RYNN, a well-to-do business man of Bedford, Lawrence county, Ind., was born in county Clare, Ireland, seventy years ago, a son of Thomas and Bridget (Rynn) Rynn, who reared three children, viz: John, who passed his life in Ireland and died a married man; Patrick, who came to the United States in 1851, owned a small farm in Massachusetts, and died the

father of three children, and William, the subject of this biography.

William Rynn bade farewell to his native land in 1848 and landed in New York city June 29. Two uncles and two aunts had preceded him to this county, and with one of these uncles, John, who had settled in Concord, Mass., our subject made his home for eighteen months, and worked at track-laying on the Hoosac Tunnel railroad—his uncle being the proprietor of the boarding-house established for the accommodation of the railroad workmen. Mr. Rynn also worked at the same class of labor in Maine, Pennsylvania, and Kentucky, and at Jefferson City, Mo., until the spring of 1854, when he came to Indiana and for a few months stopped at New Albany, and then, in the latter part of the year, came to Bedford—still a poor man—and entered the employ of the railroad company as trackman. For this company he worked twenty-eight years, being employed in different capacities, in all of which he served well and faithfully, and gained for himself the respect of his superiors and earned money for future use. After leaving the railroad company, he was for about two years interested in quarrying, after which, in 1885, he entered the liquor business, which has since occupied his entire attention.

In 1861, Mr. Rynn returned from Bedford to New Albany, and was there married, by Father Naron, to Miss Bridget Kelley, who was also born in county Clare, Ireland, a daughter of Patrick and Bridget Kelley, whose children, with one exception, all came to the United States, and these were John, who died in Litchfield, Ill., leaving a family; Patrick is a laboring man at Mount Auburn, Mass.; Thomas resides in Chatham, N. Y., and is a tailor; Mary was married to Denis O'Connell, of Bedford, Ind., but is now deceased; Ann died in Bedford, the wife of John McMann; Margaret is the one who still lives in Ireland and is now Mrs. Finn; Bridget has already been spoken of as the wife of Mr. Rynn. This last-named lady died March 6, 1897, in the faith of the holy church of Roman, leaving two children—Bridget, widow of Richard Beem and the mother of one child, Rynn, and Mary, who resides with her father.

Mr. Rynn, since he began to save his earnings, has never

rented a dwelling, with the exception of one year, when he was first married. Associated with James O'Connell, he now owns his business place, and also another business block, and individually owns residence property, beside his own home on J street, and all he owns has been gained through his own enterprise, economy and excellent business management. In politics Mr. Rynn is a sound democrat, and in religion he is a devout Catholic.

**VERY REV. FRANCIS NEUBAUER, O. M. C.,** who has recently erected a convent at Floyd's Knobs, Floyd county, Ind., and named it Mount St. Francis, is a native of Bavaria, Germany, and was born January 11, 1837, a son of Adam and Odilia (Scheidel) Neubauer. He received his primary education in the parochial schools of his native land, and from his twelfth to his twentieth year attended the gymnasium at Bamberg, Bavaria, where he finished his higher education.

In the year 1860 he came to America, to enter a religious order and to dedicate his services to the missions among the Germans; he was received into that branch of the Franciscan order, called the Minor Conventuals, at Syracuse, N. Y., and ordained to the priesthood in November, 1863. Up to now, the principal places of his labor have been the dioceses of Albany and Syracuse, N. Y., of Trenton, N. J., and lately of Vincennes, Ind. Since his ordination he has been repeatedly entrusted with the responsible offices of master of novices, of provincial secretary and of the provincialate itself.

For nearly twenty years the order of St. Francis of the Minor Conventuals was in possession of a tract of land in Floyd county, Ind., comprising 400 acres, bought by Rev. Anthony Miller, O. M. C., one of the pioneer missionaries of the order, eventually to be used for religious and educational purposes. It so happened, that at the provincial chapter in 1895, the kind consent and approval of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Chatard were given to open a religious house. The choice, to begin work, devolved on the then retiring provincial from office, who, consequently, to

facilitate operations, effected his transfer to St. Anthony's, of Jeffersonville, Ind.

The place was given the name, Mount St. Francis, and work was begun early in the spring of 1896; trees were felled, roads built, other necessary materials hauled, and a structure commenced, to accommodate a humble family of the Sons of St. Francis, i. e.: The Very Rev. M. Neubauer, O. M. C., and two lay brothers, who, thankful to God, held their first entrance on the 2d of August, 1896, since which time no labor nor expense has been spared to improve, and, God helping, to see it finally established, not only a house of piety and discipline, but also of education. A simple frame house, containing a nice chapel, seventeen rooms, and other necessary commodities, is finished and represent a value of \$20,000. The access to it is convenient, being six miles from New Albany, Ind., situated on the Paoli pike, on the so-called Knobs, one of the healthiest and most beautiful places in the southern part of Indiana.

**G**EORGE SADLIER, successor to Bissell & Sadlier, of No. 38 South Pennsylvania street, Indianapolis, was born in the parish of Abbingdon, county Limerick, Ireland, and is the youngest of eight children born to Michael and Anna (Boyle) Sadlier, the former of whom was born in 1811, was a surveyor and engineer by profession, and died in 1881; the latter was born in 1822, and passed away in 1876—both in the faith of the Catholic church, and the remains of both being interred in the cemetery of Abbingdon parish.

George Sadlier had very good school advantages and received his education in the common school and high school of Limerick, and at the age of fifteen years commenced an apprenticeship at horseshoeing; at the age of twenty years, having mastered his trade, he came to the United States, and has since resided in Indianapolis. In 1896 he was united in marriage with Miss Minnie Maloy, who was born in Indianapolis August 14, 1872, a daughter of James and Catherine (Carr) Maloy, both natives of county Longford, Ireland, who came to America in early life, and were

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married in Toledo, Ohio, and after a short residence at Cambridge City, Ind., settled in Indianapolis. James Maloy was a stone and marble cutter. He died in April, 1888, aged fifty-eight years. Mrs. Maloy died in December, 1897, aged fifty-six years, members of St. John's church. They had eight children, of whom seven are still living: Anna, now Mrs. William Sparks; John, Mrs. Sadlier, Katie, Lizzie, William and Edward. The happy union of Mr. and Mrs. Sadlier has been blessed with one child, Catherine, who was born January 21, 1898. The pleasant residence of Mr. and Mrs. Sadlier is at No. 2213 North Capitol avenue, where their many friends always receive a cordial and warm-hearted welcome. Mr. Sadlier owns not only this property and his place of business, but also several other pieces of valuable residence property, which he has acquired through his industry and good management, having been in business on his sole account since 1893, and employing five assistants, and is to-day probably the most expert horseshoer in Indianapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. Sadlier are devoted members of Sts. Peter and Paul's church, and are very liberal in their contributions to its support. Mr. Sadlier is, beside, a member of the Young Men's institute, and a stockholder in the Indianola, the Young Men's, the Northeastern, the Eastern, the Plymouth and the Inter-state Building & Loan associations, being a director in two of these and a charter member of the Indianola. He is one of the most enterprising young business men of Indianapolis, his business name stands without reproach, and he and wife enjoy the sincere regard of their fellow-parishioners, as well as the esteem of the citizens in general.

HERMANN SAALMANN, general merchant at Ferdinand, Ind., is a son of Henry and T. (Sahse) Saalmann, and was born November 16, 1869, in Louisville, Ky. He was educated in the common schools, receiving his business education through John G. Beckman, of Ferdinand, for whom he worked for twelve years, and at the age of twenty-four years became a member of the firm of Saalmann & Mante, and bought out his partner in April, 1897.

He now carries a stock of well-assorted merchandise, valued at \$10,000, and does a most prosperous trade.

He was married October 26, 1893, to Miss Katie Guante, of Fort Smith, Ark., and this marriage has been blessed with one child, Edward, born in August, 1897. He and his wife are both members of St. Ferdinand's church and in politics Mr. Saalmann is a democrat.

**F**REDERICK SAUER, machinist at the Belt shops, was born in Indianapolis, February 24, 1865, and has always been a resident of his native city. John and Magdaline (Kunkle) Sauer, his parents, both natives of Bavaria, Germany, were married in Indianapolis, and the father still resides here, his home being at No. 13 West McCarty street. The mother died September 7, 1897, aged sixty-six years. The family of John and Magdaline Sauer consisted of six sons and one daughter, only two of whom are now living, Bernard, the eldest, and the subject of this biography. Jacob died at the age of nineteen, Louis at seventeen, Katie when about one year old, and the two youngest, both named John, died in infancy.

Frederick Sauer received a fair education in St. Mary's and Sacred Heart parochial schools, and early became an apprentice to the machinist trade, at which he served four years in the Eagle Machine works of Indianapolis. He also worked at other places in the city about two years, and accepted his present position at the Belt shops in 1888. Mr. Sauer is a general machinist, thoroughly familiar with every detail of the trade, and a skillful workman. He was united in marriage September 11, 1888, in Sacred Heart church, to Miss Julia Budenz, of Indianapolis, and daughter of Louis and Helen (Stape) Budenz. Mrs. Sauer was educated in the public and parochial schools of Indianapolis, and is favorably known in church and social circles of the city; she has borne her husband five children, viz: Fred J., Mary, Otillia, Celia Clara and Roman A.

Mr. Sauer is a member of the Franciscan society of the Sacred Heart church, and he and wife have been members of the choir of

said church for a period of eight years. In politics he is not aggressive, but usually casts his ballot for the democratic party. Mr. Sauer, after the death of his mother, removed to the old homestead so as to care for his father during the remaining years of his life.

JOHN SAGE, of Greencastle, Putnam county, Ind., is numbered among the pioneer Catholics of this city, with which he has been identified since 1851. He was born in county Waterford, Ireland, June 21, 1837, a son of Michael and Mary (Ryan) Sage, who passed all their lives in their native land. They were the parents of two sons and three daughters, of whom one daughter died in Ireland; the surviving children came to America, and of these Mrs. Mary Hurley is a resident of Danville, Ill., and Bridget, wife of John Owens, died some years since. Patrick Sage, the only brother of John, the subject of this memoir, resides in the city Greencastle.

John Sage was a lad of about ten years of age when he reached the United States, and after passing a few months in Haverstraw, N. Y., came to Indiana in 1849, and located in Crawfordsville, whence he came to Greencastle. His marriage with Miss Bridget Ann Haley, a native of county Kerry, Ireland, was solemnized at LaFayette, by Rev. Father Clark, in 1856, and this union has been blessed with five sons and one daughter, of whom two sons have been called away. The names of the surviving children are Kate, at home; J. W., at Ashmore; T. F. and G. W., of Greencastle. Since residing in Greencastle, Mr. Sage has been very zealous in promoting the growth of Catholicity in the city and vicinity, and the publishers of this work are indebted to him for much of the church history to be found in its biographical department. He is highly esteemed by the residents of Greencastle as a worthy, honorable and useful citizen, and by the members of his congregation as a pious as well as prominent Catholic. Mr. Sage is a most popular hotelkeeper and has been very successful as a farmer, being still engaged in the latter vocation, and well deserves the high standing he has attained in the community.

MRS. MARGARET E. SAUSE, one of the most respected lady residents of St. Michael's parish, Daviess county, Ind., was born in Queen's county, Ireland, August 29, 1834, and is the youngest of three children—one son and two daughters—born to Matthew and Ellen (Conway) Downey.

In August, 1845, Matthew Downey and his family sailed for America in the good ship Thomas P. Cope, and, after a voyage of four weeks, landed in Philadelphia, Pa., where the father died in 1846, a devout Catholic. In the fall of the same year the widow removed with her three children to Pottsville, Pa., and in 1849 came to St. Martin's parish, Daviess county, Ind.

Miss Margaret E. Downey was confirmed at the age of twelve years, in Pennsylvania, by Bishop Kendricks, and was married in St. Martin's parish, Ind., by Father Murphy, April 11, 1852, to Michael Sause, a native of county Tipperary, and born October 13, 1826. This marriage was blessed with ten children, of whom eight still survive, viz: Mary Ellen, widow of Dennis Ryan and the mother of two children, Michael and Frank, with her residence in St. Michael's parish; Alice, who makes her home with her mother; Catherine, wife of Patrick Brady, of St. Michael's parish; James Thomas, of Bogard township, and a leading member of St. Michael's congregation; Agnes, wife of Patrick Egan, of Indianapolis; Margaret H., widow of Levi Keplinger, also of Indianapolis; Matthew, an engineer at the Capital city, and Michael R., a student at the Indiana Medical college.

After marriage Mr. and Mrs. Sause located on Veal's Creek, Washington township, but in January, 1858, settled on section No. 32, in Barr township, now Bogard township, and here Mr. Sause hewed out a comfortable home from the wilderness. He was very popular with his fellow-citizens and served them a number of years as drainage commissioner, also as township supervisor and in several minor offices. He was a devout Catholic, a loving husband and kind father, and died in the faith in which he had been reared, January 22, 1892, honored and beloved by all who knew him and deeply mourned by his disconsolate widow and surviving children.

Mrs. Sause is a lady possessing a most retentive memory and is endowed with many womanly virtues. Her home is the abode



of hospitality and good will and she is surrounded by a host of friends, who delight in doing her honor. She has entire supervision of the estate, but is assisted in the details of its management by her son, James, and her daughter, Alice. She is devoted to her church duties and aids liberally to the support of the church and its sodalities, and now, after many years of toil and hardship, in aiding her deceased husband in providing a home, lives in tranquility, being still blessed with unusually good health.

**J**OHAN VINCENT SCANLAN, papermaker, of Indianapolis, was born in Glendale, Berkshire county, Mass., May 5, 1857, and is a son of James and Bridget Scanlan, the former of whom was born in county Waterford, and the latter in county Meath, Ireland, and were married in Massachusetts, the result of the union being five children—Kate, John, James, Annie and Thomas—all residents of Indianapolis. Of these, Kate is the wife of Bernard Conroy, and Thomas, who is also married, is employed in Kingan's packing house; the remaining three reside with their widowed mother at No. 638 West Washington street.

James Scanlan, father of the above-named family, was a papermaker by trade, and with his wife (who bore the maiden name of Bridget Burns) and children came to Indianapolis in 1868, but a month after his arrival met with an untimely end, being scalded to death while engaged in the prosecution of his duties as a papermaker. He was part owner of a mill in this city, but of his interest in this, it is asserted, his widow and children were defrauded.

John V. Scanlan learned his trade when quite young, beginning at the age of fifteen years, and has since traveled extensively throughout the United States. He has from childhood been a devoted Catholic and an earnest friend of the working man, and his experience gained in his travels had broadened his views as to the actual condition of the real wealth producer, the laborer, and the greediness of the grasping employer who absorbs the results, almost entirely, of the producers' honest toil. Mr. Scanlan has since made manifest his sympathy with the working man in various

ways, as will be seen in his action in the various orders to which he belongs, being prominently associated with several of the "permitted" orders, as, for instance: Quigley council, Young Men's institute, of which he is president; Bessonies commandery, Knights of Father Mathew, of which he is also president; and of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, in which he is chairman of the standing committee—the three orders representing a membership of 500 of the young men of the church. Of the Knights of Father Mathew commandery, Mr. Scanlan was largely instrumental in establishing a labor bureau, through the aid of which every unemployed member has found a position of some kind, and he has now in contemplation the formation of a Catholic building and loan association, of which, he surmises, at least 500 of the 40,000 Catholics in Indianapolis will become members, and from their weekly contributions he anticipates the erection of a hall of such dimensions that it will be able to accommodate large assemblages, and be distinctively known as a Catholic hall. His plan has been submitted to the various Catholic societies and brotherhoods throughout the city, and has been fully approved of. Mr. Scanlan has also in view the creation of a labor bureau under the auspices of the Young Men's institute, with every prospect of immediate consummation of the design.

The Scanlan family are true and sincere members of St. John's congregation, which is administered to by the Rev. Father Gavis.

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REV. ANDREW SCHAAF, pastor of St. Francis Xavier congregation at Poseyville, Posey county, was born in Harrison county, Ind., March 14, 1861, the second in a family of six—four sons and two daughters born to John and Theressa (Leigast) Schaaf, natives of Germany, who came to America in early life.

The early education of Father Schaaf was obtained in the parochial schools of Lanesville, in his native county, and at Celestine, Dubois county, which he attended until fourteen years of age, and when eighteen he entered St. Joseph's college, Teutopolis, Ill., where he remained two sessions and then, in 1881, entered St.

Meinrad's college, where he pursued his classical, philosophical and theological studies until 1889, on June 15th of which year he was ordained by Bishop Chatard. His first charge was that of St. Michael's church at Bradford, Harrison county, with St. Mary's mission at Navilleton, Floyd county, attached, and there for six years he labored arduously and zealously. He was then transferred to Poseyville, but for the first two years of his pastorate here he resided at Evansville, and officiated as assistant to Rev. Joseph Dickmann, of St. Mary's (German) church. Since 1897 he has been the resident priest at Poseyville, and from that time, also, attended to St. Bernard's church, Gibson county, and of his good and faithful work at this point an account will be found in the historical notice of St. Francis Xavier's church in its appropriate place elsewhere in this work.

**A**LOIS J. SCHAAF, a leading member of the church of the Sacred Heart at Schnellville, Dubois county, Ind., and a prominent business man of the town, was born in Lanesville, Harrison county, October 26, 1859, the eldest in the family of six children born to John and Theressa Schaaf, of whom full mention is made on the preceding page.

Alois J. Schaaf received a good parochial school education, and at the age of eighteen years was confirmed in the Catholic faith by Bishop Chatard. He first learned the trade of carpenter and builder, and for some time worked at his trade, as well as at railroad work, at Lanesville, until 1889, when he came to Schnellville and entered into the furniture business, which he conducted until 1895, when he sold out his stock and turned his attention to the hardware trade, in which he carries a well-assorted line of stoves, builders', heavy, and shelf hardware, and also has charge of the undertaking business of the town, doing, in all, a business amounting to about \$2,000 per annum.

Mr. Schaaf was united in marriage September 28, 1883, at Celestine, by Rev. Joseph Fleischmann, to Miss Rosa Buchhart, who was educated in a parochial school and was confirmed at

Celestine by Bishop Chatard. This union has been with blessed six children, viz: Edward G. (now living at Birdseye, Ind.), Louisa T., Otto J., Verina, Martina and Otilla K., all of whom are being carefully reared in the Catholic faith.

In politics Mr. Schaaf is a democrat and cast his first presidential vote for Grover Cleveland. He is very popular with his party, and is a factor in its management in Jefferson township, and is at present trustee of this township, having been elected in 1894. Fraternally he is a member of Jasper lodge, No. 68, A. O. U. W., at Jasper, which lodge numbers about 130 members. As a business man he is self-made, having started with no capital save his skill and a pair of willing hands, and his business integrity is fully acknowledged wherever his name is known. In the social circles of Schnellville Mr. Schaaf and wife stand very high, and both, being devout Catholics, contribute quite freely of their means to the support of the church of the Sacred Heart.

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FRANK SCHALLER, proprietor of the cooperage at the corner of Barnett and First streets, Vincennes, Ind., was born in Alsace, France, in June, 1836, a son of George and Katherina Schaller, and with them came to America about the year 1847. The father was a comparatively poor man, and on coming to the United States sought a home in Vincennes, where he was variously employed, and where he was bereaved of his wife, who died when between sixty and seventy years of age, and where his own death occurred in his seventy-eighth year.

Frank Schaller was reared in Vincennes from about his eighth year to manhood, and during his boyhood learned the cooper's trade, which is, as above stated, his present occupation. After the termination of his apprenticeship, and after working a short time as a journeyman, he was employed as foreman, or manager, of a cooperage in Vincennes until 1869, when he entered into business on his own account, and from that date until the present time has met with prosperity, being a thorough master of his trade. He now employs from eighteen to twenty-five men, according to

lax or busy season, and his principal output consists of flour-barrels, although he does considerable of what is technically termed "tight" work—that is, cooperage that will hold liquids.

May 7, 1861, Mr. Schaller was joined in the holy bonds of matrimony, by Rev. Father Engle, at St. John's German Catholic church, with Miss Mary Ann Koogelschatt, a native of Germany, but a resident of Vincennes since three years of age. Their marriage has been blessed with six children, viz: Frank, who was a traveling salesman, and who died March 31, 1896, at the age of thirty-four years; Katie, who died at the age of nineteen; Annie and Josephine, at home, and George, who is foreman of his father's shop. The family worship at St. John's Catholic church, and Mr. Schaller is a member of the Catholic Knights of America. In politics Mr. Schaller has been a democrat since reaching his majority. He has a comfortable home at the corner of Eighth and Prairie streets, and he and family are held in great esteem by their neighbors as well as the members of the church congregation to which they belong.

**G**EORGE SCHALLER, a popular business man of No. 116 North Seventh street, Vincennes, Ind., is a native of Epfig, France, and was born April 23, 1833: His parents, George and Catherine (Schneider) Schaller, were born in the same province, and in 1844 came to America with a family of nine children, settled in Vincennes, and here passed the remainder of their lives, the mother dying at the age of sixty-two years, and the father, who in later years was a dealer in stone, dying when he was seventy-eight years old. Of their nine children, five are still living, viz: George, the subject, who is the eldest; Frank, a cooper, of Vincennes; Alise, a plasterer, of Indianapolis; Roman, a farmer, of Knox county, and Harriet, wife of Frank Throne, of Evansville.

George Schaller was educated in the Brothers' school attached to St. Francis Xavier parish, and early learned the baker's trade. He has been a resident of Vincennes since eleven years of age, with the exception of three years spent in Terre Haute as a clerk in a hotel. For about thirty-six years he conducted a bakery of

his own on Main street, Vincennes, but for the last thirteen years has been engaged in the beer business at his present location. He first married Miss Catherine Clemm, in 1865, but about fourteen years later this lady died of dropsy, leaving no children, and in 1879 he married Miss Catherine Doulinger, a native of Vincennes and born of Catholic parents. This union is also unblessed with offspring. In his youth Mr. Schaller was first connected with St. Francis Xavier church, but on the organization of the German church he changed his allegiance and united with the latter. He is a member of St. John's Benevolent society, of which he was treasurer one term, and his wife is a member of the Ladies' society of the same order. He has been a trustee of his church for several years, and has been largely instrumental in promoting the interests both of it and the Benevolent society. In politics he is a democrat, but has never sought nor held an official position. He has been attentive to his business, and through his industry has acquired a good home and his own place of business. He and wife enjoy the respect of a large circle of friends, and he is ever ready to aid any cause having for its end the good of his city and his church.

REV. JOHN H. SCHEEFERS, assistant rector of St. Mary's church, is a native of Vincennes, Ind., was born February 6, 1873, and is a son of Bernard and Agnes (Weiler) Scheefers, the former a native of Prussia, and the latter of Bavaria, Germany, but who were married at Newark, Ohio, about 1865. Bernard Scheefers was a mechanic and died in Vincennes, April 25, 1894. His widow still resides at Vincennes, and her family consists of three sons and two daughters, of whom Bernard is a cigarmaker in Vincennes; Agnes is unmarried; Charles is a clerk, engineer, etc.; Anna and August are at home with their mother.

The early education of Father Scheefers was received in St. John's parochial school at Vincennes, and his academic and collegiate education at St. Meinrad's college in Spencer county, Ind. He was ordained a priest by Bishop Chatard, June 8, 1897, and

came to St. Mary's church, in Indianapolis, as assistant rector to Very Rev. Francis Schiedeler, vicar-general of the diocese.

Though yet on the threshold of young manhood, Father Scheefers has laid the foundation for a life of usefulness in the church of his fathers. He is a young gentleman of prepossessing appearance, is approachable and affable, and has won the undisguised love and admiration of his parishioners.

**G**USTAVE ADOLPH SCHELLINGER, a popular young business man of Mishawaka, Ind., is a native of Baden grand duchy, Germany, and was born March 6, 1858, a son of Francis X. and Elizabeth Schellinger.

Francis X. Schellinger was born in 1819, was educated in a parochial school and reared to the trade of milling. In 1868 he came to the United States, landing in New York city, whence he came direct to Mishawaka, where he and wife passed several years, but finally settled in the west.

Gustave A. Schellinger, the subject of this biography, attended parochial schools until fourteen years of age, and after leaving St. Joseph's school served an apprenticeship of three years at the machinist's trade. His father and two of his sons, Edward and Joseph, had in the meantime moved to Sullivan, Franklin county, Mo., whither Gustave followed them in 1875, and where all engaged in farming. In 1875 fire destroyed their home and they removed to Beloit, Mitchell county, Kans., where subject not only assisted on the home farm, but also, for a short time, was employed as a clerk in a hardware and grocery store. In 1885, Gustave returned to Mishawaka, and has here been engaged in business up to the present time.

Mr. Schellinger was united in matrimony, in Mishawaka, October 27, 1885, to Miss Barbara Lollman, the Rev. A. B. Oechtering, of St. Joseph's church, performing the sacred ceremony, but this marriage has, as yet, been blessed with no offspring. Mr. and Mrs. Schellinger are among the most devoted of the congregation belonging to this church, and Mr. Schellinger is a mem-

ber of its branch of the Catholic Knights of America, while Mrs. Schellinger is a member of the various ladies' societies existing under the auspices of the church, and both are liberal in their aid toward its support and in advancing its work of charity and usefulness.

Mr. Schellinger is a gentleman of genial disposition and affable manners, and has won to himself hundreds of warm friends in Mishawaka, not only among his patrons, but with the public at large. His place of business is neat and clean and is conducted with the strictest regard to good order and propriety, and his financial success, which is quite satisfactory, is the result of these excellent qualifications.

AUGUST SCHERER is a native of Bayern, Germany, born in Londmeigh parish, on the thirtieth day of August, 1845. His father, Henry Scherer, was born in the same locality in the year 1808, followed the pursuit of agriculture in his native country until 1859, and then came to the United States, locating near Dayton, Ohio, and purchasing a farm about three miles from that city, near a place known as Texas, where he passed the remaining years of his life. He was married in Bayern, Germany, in 1833, to Mary Perat, who was born in the year 1812 and who bore him four children, to-wit: John, an inmate of the Soldiers' home, Dayton, Ohio; Jacob, a resident of Dayton; Auboria, wife of George Spier, and August, the immediate subject of this sketch.

August Scherer passed his youthful years in his native country, in the schools of which he received his education, and after coming to America, in 1859, was apprenticed to learn the trade of collar-making in the city of Dayton. After becoming a proficient workman, he followed the trade in Dayton five years and for a period of seventeen years carried on a shop in Richmond, Ind. For some time Mr. Scherer has been keeping a sample room on Main street, Richmond, having discontinued his trade. He was married in Dayton, Ohio, January 5, 1869, to Helen Reitz, the ceremony being solemnized by Father Hahn, and has a family of three children, Caroline, Anna and August. Mr. Scherer served as trustee



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of St. Andrew's church for three years, and he was also a member of St. Joseph society of that parish; Mrs. Scherer belongs to the St. Ann's society, and is active in church and charitable work. Politically Mr. Scherer is a democrat, and while always taking an active interest in politics, is not a partisan in the sense of seeking official preferment.

**E** B. SCHENK, hardware merchant of Mt. Vernon, Ind., is a son of Francis and Maria Ann (Deig) Schenk, the father, who was a Prussian and the mother, a Bavarian, being both now deceased.

E. B. Schenk was born in Vanderburg county, Ind., July 10, 1844, and attended St. Philip's school in Posey county. At the age of twenty-two years he engaged in the steam-fitting business and remained in that for eight or ten years, and then engaged in the hardware business. In 1871 he was married to Miss Elizabeth Stahlhoefer, of Vanderburg county, and they have five children, viz: Mary Elizabeth, John E., Clements V., Mary L. and Mary Leonora. Of these, Mary Elizabeth is married to Joseph A. Schapker, of Evansville. The family are faithful members of the Catholic church, to the support of which they freely contribute of their means, and the teachings of which they conscientiously follow. Mr. Schenk has made his way through life by his own exertions, and no merchant of Mount Vernon has a name more honored for integrity and fair dealing.

**J** R. SCHERSCHEL, a well-known manufacturer of staves and headings, and dealer in lumber, at LaGro, Wabash county, Ind., was born in Hocking county, Ohio, April 16, 1843, and is a son of Rudolph and Barbara (Sahner) Scherschel, who came to this country in 1837 from Germany. After leaving school, at the age of sixteen years, he learned the cooper's trade, at which he worked, as a journeyman, until 1868, when he engaged in the manufacture of staves and headings on his own account in Oak-

land, Ohio, which he there successfully conducted until 1871, when he came to LaGro, Ind., and engaged in the same line of business and in the manufacture and sale of lumber, and also in the buying and selling of real estate, owning, at present, fine farm lands in Indiana and Kentucky, as well as valuable property in the cities of Wabash and LaGro.

Mr. Scherschel was united in marriage, in Cleveland, Ohio, August 20, 1872, with Miss Ottilia Esch, who was born in Germany January 28, 1848, a daughter of Dr. J. A. and Gertrude (Singzig) Esch, who came to America in 1866, and settled in Cleveland, where the death of the father took place in 1888; the mother died at LaGro in 1890. Of the seven children born to Mr. and Mrs. Esch, there are four still living. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Scherschel, which was solemnized in St. Peter's church by Rev. Father Westerholdt, has been blessed with four children, viz: Frederick, Rudolph, Ottilia (a student and teacher of music) and Carl W. The family are all members of St. Patrick's church, of LaGro, and the parents are members of the Rosary society, while Miss Ottilia is a member of the young ladies' sodality. Mrs. Scherschel is a highly accomplished lady, was a school-teacher in Germany, and after coming to America taught three years in the graded schools of Cleveland, Ohio. The family stand very high in the esteem of the residents of LaGro, and are strict in the observance of the teachings of the Catholic church, of which they are devoted members and to the support of which they are liberal contributors. In his business affairs Mr. Scherschel has been very prosperous, and is especially esteemed for his straightforward methods in all his transactions.

**J**OHAN J. SCHINDLER, a well-known business man of Mishawaka, Ind., was born in Buffalo, N. Y., February 11, 1851, a son of Andrew and Rosa (Kuhn) Schindler, natives, respectively, of Germany and Switzerland.

Andrew Schindler, who was born in Baden, Germany, June 16, 1822, attended a parochial school of his native land until six-

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teen years of age, and then came to America, landing in New York city in 1838, whence he went, via the Erie canal, to Buffalo, where he remained until 1864, marrying, in the meantime, Miss Rosa Kuhn, who was born in 1818. To this union have been born eight children, four of whom are still living, viz: John J., our subject; Andrew J., William N. and Joseph J. From Buffalo Mr. Schindler moved to Dunkirk, N. Y., where he engaged in hotel keeping until 1869, when he came to Mishawaka, Ind., and here engaged in the grocery trade and also resumed hotel keeping, and by close attention to both lines of business succeeded in acquiring a handsome competency. He died August 25, 1872, a devoted member of the Catholic church, and an honored citizen.

John J. Schindler attended St. Joseph academy, at Buffalo, until thirteen years old, when he came to Mishawaka and entered the employ of his uncles, the Kuhn Brothers, proprietors of the St. Joseph flouring-mills, with whom he worked eight years, acquiring a thorough knowledge of the business. About this time his father passed away, and the subject assumed charge of the hotel and grocery, which he conducted in the interest of the family until 1879, from which date until 1887 he conducted them on his own account. In 1872, also, he secured the agency of the Girard Fire Insurance company, and in 1873 secured a steamship agency, in connection with which he carries on a foreign exchange business, which is constantly increasing. He now represents about thirty of the best fire insurance companies in existence, and is patronized by the heaviest insurers in the vicinity. In 1876 he was commissioned notary public and conveyancer, and in 1888 was elected on the democratic ticket trustee of Penn township by a majority of five votes, but so satisfactorily did he fill the office, that he was re-elected, in 1890, by a majority of 419. In 1880 he was admitted as an attorney in the interior department of the United States, and assigned to the pension bureau. From 1890 to 1894 he served as secretary of the county board of education, and still takes great interest in educational matters, having organized the township libraries, and having distributed over 2,000 volumes among the seventeen school districts of his township.

The marriage of Mr. Schindler was solemnized by Rev. John

H. Oechtering, now of Fort Wayne, May 20, 1879, with Miss Christina Fierstos, and this union was blessed with three children—Aloysius J., John W. and Clara M. Mr. Schindler was bereft of his wife June 14, 1894, and his second marriage was solemnized by Rev. Father A. B. Oechtering, of St. Joseph's parish, Mishawaka. Mr. Schindler was a charter member of the Catholic Knights of America when the order was established in Mishawaka in 1884, and has served as its secretary ever since. He is also a trustee of St. Joseph's church, and Mrs. Schindler is a member of the Rosary and Christian societies attached thereto, while their sons act as altar boys during divine service at St. Joseph's. As a business man, Mr. Schindler has been a success from the beginning, and is recognized as one of the most enterprising and liberal-hearted citizens of Mishawaka.

**J**OSEPH MAURICE SCHITTER, a prosperous farmer of Dubois county and prominent as a layman of Ireland parish, was born in this county November 14, 1854, the fourth in the family of seven sons and three daughters born to Andrew and Genevieve (Hurst) Schitter.

Andrew Schitter was born in Alsace-Lorraine, in 1816, and died in Dubois county, Ind., May 25, 1896. He was one of the workmen on the first Catholic church in Jasper, and also worked several years for Father Kundeck, the pioneer priest. His wife was a native of Baden, Germany, born in 1827, came to Dubois county when a child, and was here confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais. Her death took place in the Catholic faith in 1894, and of her children, who were left to mourn her loss, all still reside in Dubois county, with the exception of one son and one daughter, in Kentucky, and one son, in Vigo county, Ind.

Joseph M. Schitter was educated in the parochial schools at Jasper, and has passed his life in farming in Dubois county. May 13, 1879, he was joined in wedlock, by Rev. Father Fidelis, at Jasper with Miss Lena Schmitt, who has blessed their marriage with two sons and seven daughters, viz: Albert A., Anna T., Maggie V., Apol-

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lonia, Katie J., Lizzie, Lena, Martina, and Sylvester, of whom the eldest three have been confirmed by Bishop Chatard. Mrs. Lena Schitter was born in Dubois county October 22, 1860, a daughter of Adam and Magdalene (Hochsang) Schmitt, and was confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais. When Mr. and Mrs. Schitter began married life their means were limited and the farm they at present own was in the wilderness with the exception of four acres, which had been cleared; but by working with one steady aim in view, they have now as good a farm as there is in the county.

In politics Mr. Schitter is a democrat. He cast his first presidential vote for Samuel J. Tilden, and has strictly adhered to his party ever since. He has served as a trustee of his church in Ireland parish for two years and is highly respected for his religious sincerity. His little daughter, Lizzie, was the first child baptized in St. Mary's church in Ireland and the first baptized by Father Bernard in his life. The father of Mr. Schitter was a singer in the choir at Jasper thirty-five years, which is something unusual, and, in fact, the entire family are devoted Catholics.

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JOSEPH SCHLEGEL, a prominent merchant of Huntingburg, is one of four children born to Joseph and Magdalen (Rich) Schlegel. The parents were born in Baden, Germany, and came to America in 1853, locating in Louisville, Ky., where Joseph was born November 30, 1854. He was reared, however, in Dubois county, Ind., attended the ordinary schools until he was seventeen and then learned his trade of harnessmaking, and after serving three years went to Indianapolis and worked for one year. He then returned to Dubois county, and has resided here ever since, doing a very prosperous trade, and carrying a stock valued at \$1,500.

He was united in marriage to Mary Woerter, a daughter of A. Woerter, of Ferdinand, and this union has been blessed with nine children, viz: Mary M., Frank E., Lena M., William J., Joseph G., Mena T., Laura R., Edwin J. and Louisa K. Both parents and children are strict members of the St. Mary's church, and Mr. Schlegel is also a member of the Ancient Order of United

Workmen. As a business man Mr. Schlegel is polite and affable and his name stands without reproach, and he and family are among the most respected residents of Huntingburg.

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ANDREW SCHMITT, a leader among the laity of Ireland parish, Dubois county, Ind., was born in the county, October 1, 1856, and is the fourth in a family of five sons and four daughters born to Adam and Magdalene (Hochsang) Schmitt, and of these nine there are five still living, viz: Apollonia, now Mrs. Sprauer, of Huntingburg, Ind.; Martina, wife of Joseph Dischinger, residing near Jasper; Andrew, whose name opens this article; Lena, wife of Joseph Schitter, a farmer of Ireland parish, and Joseph, a farmer of the same parish. The parents of these children are both natives of Germany and are still living in Dubois, are devout Catholics, and all their children were confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais, with the exception of the youngest, who was confirmed by Bishop Chatard. The father, a practical miller as well as farmer, settled in Dubois county in 1840, and is now living with his helpmate in retirement, enjoying the fruits of his early industry.

Andrew Schmitt received the usual common-school education, was confirmed at the age of fourteen years, and was reared to manhood on his father's farm. October 29, 1878, he was united in marriage, by the Rev. Father Fidelis, to Miss Lizzie Dischinger, the union being blessed with seven children, of whom, however, one son is now deceased. The survivors are: Theressa, who was educated in the parochial and common schools, was confirmed by Bishop Chatard at the age of twelve years, and is now of invaluable assistance to her parents; Frank J., educated in the parochial schools and confirmed by the same bishop, is rapidly becoming a thoroughly practical farmer; William, who was confirmed at the age of thirteen years, is a young man of great promise; Magdalena, who has just taken her first communion, is a very bright little miss; Katie, the next in order of birth, is an interesting child, and Apollonia, the youngest, is the sunbeam of the household.

Mrs. Lizzie Schmitt was born in Dubois county, Ind., March

17, 1869, the sixth child in George and Johanna (Burkhardt) Dischinger's family of three sons and eight daughters. Her parents, both Catholics, came from Germany, and her mother's family was amongst the first settlers of Jasper. Mr. Dischinger was reared a farmer, but is now deceased; his wife, however, is still living. Mrs. Schmitt was educated in the Sisters' school, and, since thirteen years ago, has been a devoted Catholic. She is a tender and loving wife and mother, and her home she makes a paradise. When Mr. and Mrs. Schmitt began housekeeping they had but a small capital; but they have worked together and have now as comfortable a home as there is in the parish, and enjoy, beside, a competency.

When Ireland parish was founded, Mr. Schmitt was one of the principal leaders in establishing the church, and has always assisted freely in its support. He has been a trustee for two years, and has always been ready to do his duty on all occasions. In politics he is a stanch democrat, and cast his first presidential vote for Samuel J. Tilden. He and wife are among the most cordial and genial of the residents of Jasper, and have a family in which they may well take a just pride.

**EGINHARD SCHMITT**, manager for the firm of Schmitt & Heinly, proprietors of the Golden Rule dry-goods store, Logansport, Ind., was born in Unterscheidenthal amt Buchen, Groshergogthum, Baden, Germany, July 11, 1856, a son of Johann Adam and Eva Schmitt, parents of four children, viz: Anna, widow of Valentine Minnich, and residing in Logansport; Eginhard, the subject of this biographical notice; Mary, wife of William Kraut, of Logansport, and Hermann, a dry-goods merchant of Danville, Ill.

Johann Schmitt, the father, having been bereft of his wife in 1870, came to the United States in 1872, and for three years was employed in the shops of the Panhandle railroad, then returned to Germany, but later made a second visit to America, re-married, and is now owner of a linseed oil-mill in Buchen.

Eginhard Schmitt, who was the first member of his family to come to the United States (in 1871), had received an excellent education in his native land, and after his arrival in this country attended public school at Winamac, Ind., for three months, which, with daily practical experience in the English tongue, sufficed to accomplish his purpose. He then learned the tinner's trade, became an adept, and received for his services in this line \$3.50 per day. Work becoming slack, however, he decided to acquire a knowledge of business, and entered a mercantile establishment at \$3 per week, became an expert salesman, and advanced step by step, until, in 1883, he formed a partnership with C. O. Heffley, under the style of Schmitt & Heffley, and did a very successful dry-goods trade in Logansport until the panic of 1893-94 forced this firm, like many others, to succumb and close out their business, although Mr. Schmitt had acquired a competence in the meantime. In 1895, Mr. Schmitt was appointed manager of the Golden Rule dry-goods house, which was that year established by his brother, Hermann, and A. W. Heinley, of Danville, Ill., and which is now the leading dry-goods house of Logansport, employing twenty-five clerks. Hermann Schmitt has had a phenomenal career as a merchant, as he began learning the business at twenty-five cents per week, but at the age of sixteen years received a salary of \$100 per month, and is now a wealthy man.

The marriage of Eginhard Schmitt took place, in 1880, to Miss Susie C. Hoover, a native of Indiana, but who was left an orphan in infancy, in consequence of which she was reared in the Orphans' home at Rensselaer, Jasper county, Ind., although her father was quite a wealthy man. To the genial union of Mr. and Mrs. Schmitt have been born two children—Lulu B. and Hermann O.—and the family reside in their handsome dwelling at No. 218 West Market street. They are members of St. Joseph's church, and Mr. Schmitt is a member of the Catholic Knights of America, of the Knights of St. John and of St. Joseph's Benevolent society. He is a pleasant, genial and affable gentleman, is one of the best business men of the city, as his career in trade plainly indicates, and personally enjoys the esteem of a wide circle of friends.



CHARLES J. SCHMITT, one of the most highly-respected citizens of Princeton, Ind., is a native of Gibson county, was born September 29, 1862, and is the tenth of a family of fourteen children—seven sons and seven daughters—born to Charles B. and Magdalena (Hartmann) Schmitt, and of these fourteen, seven still survive, of whom Joseph is a merchant in the Indian Territory, although in early life was prepared for the priesthood; Mary is the wife of Prof. Mustard, who graduated from St. Meinrad's college and is now eminent as a teacher of music at Louisville, Ky., and Anna is the wife of Patrick Golden, a retired business man of Princeton, Ind. The other survivors reside in Gibson county.

At the age of thirteen years, Charles J. Schmitt was confirmed in the Catholic faith by Bishop de St. Palais; he attended the parochial school four years and the public school two years, and then took a course in Rauk & Wright's Business college at Evansville. At the early age of fourteen years he apprenticed himself to a saddler, and for five years followed the trade, which he relinquished to become a salesman in a grocery store, and three years later took the road as salesman for a large saddlery and hardware firm, with whom he remained eighteen months. In 1894 he established himself in business in Princeton, and has been rewarded with the success his energy and business talents so well deserve.

Mr. Schmitt was joined in wedlock, June 7, 1892, by Rev. B. Hammer, at St. Joseph's church, with Miss Anna Baxter, and this union has been blessed with two daughters. Mrs. Schmitt is a daughter of John Baxter, of Princeton, was born in 1870, and at the age of sixteen years was confirmed by Bishop Chatard.

In politics Mr. Schmitt is a sound democrat and was an advocate of the free-silver theory promulgated by William Jennings Bryan, of whom he is a great admirer. He is also a power in local politics, and liberally contributes toward all public enterprises of merit. He was the chief promoter of the order of Catholic Knights in Princeton, of which the local branch now numbers twenty-five members, and is also a liberal contributor to the support of the church, its schools and sodalities.

Mr. Schmitt owns a very pretty modern cottage residence on Race street, beside other valuable real estate. He is a gentleman

of refined taste, and his elegantly furnished home is supplied with a fine library, containing the works of the more celebrated authors in fiction and biography, including complete editions of the productions of Dickens, Thackeray, Cooper, Scott, and others, and the biographies of Blaine, Logan, Stanley, Talmage, and Ingersoll, as well as standard encyclopedias. When it is remembered that Mr. Schmitt commenced his business life with but little capital, due credit will be accorded him for his sagacity and energy, and the high respect in which he is held in business and social circles is but a fit tribute to his personal merits.

**J**OHAN ANDREW SCHMOLL, the senior member of the grocery and provision firm of Schmoll Bros., Peru, Ind., was born in this city, August 3, 1857, a son of Michael and Adelaine (Speck) Schmoll. The parents were natives of Germany, came to America in 1853 and 1854 respectively, and were married in Peru, where the father was engaged in tailoring until 1860, and then in the grocery trade until his death, which occurred in June, 1871; the mother still lives in Peru, she and her two children, John Andrew and John Cornelius, being faithful members of the Catholic church.

John Andrew Schmoll was confirmed in the faith of the Lutheran church and adhered to that faith until sixteen years old, when, in 1873, he was converted to Catholicism, and since that time has been faithful and active in the work of this denomination. He attended the public schools of Peru until thirteen years of age and was then employed as an assistant in the flax-mill of this city for a year; he next worked a year in the Singer Sewing Machine factory, and then went to Effingham, Ill., took a course of study preparatory to his entering the Catholic church, in July, 1873, when he returned to Peru, entered a telegraph office, learned the art of telegraphy, then clerked in a bakery two years, then in a grocery until 1882, or for about eight years, and then for a year clerked in a clothing store in Michigan. In 1883, in partnership with his brother, John Cornelius, he embarked in the grocery trade

at the present stand in Peru, and has ever since done a prosperous business under the firm name of Schmoll Bros. owning their fine business block of four stories.

The marriage of Mr. Schmoll took place in Peru, November 22, 1892, to Miss Mary Burke, who was born in Ireland in November, 1857. To this union there has been born one child—Mary. Mr. and Mrs. Schmoll are faithful to their church duties, and Mr. Schmoll is, beside, a member of the Catholic Knights of America. As a business man he has been very prosperous, and the firm name stands without a flaw in the business circles of northeast Indiana.

JOSEPH SCHNEIDER, the popular general merchant of Fulda, Spencer county, Ind., is a native of this place, was born March 16, 1863, and is the fifth in order of birth in a family of eight children—three sons and five daughters—born to Bernard and Mary (Greskam) Schneider.

Joseph Schneider attended the parochial or common schools until he was twelve years of age, when he entered St. Meinrad's college and attended two years, taking the full business course. He was confirmed at the age of twelve at Fulda, by Bishop Chatard, and remained with his parents on their farm until the age of thirty years, then commenced business for himself as a merchant. He has been thrice married. The second marriage was with Miss Elizabeth Hurm, by Father Augustine Falley, and one child was born to this union, Elizabeth, now aged six years. Mrs. Schneider died November 8, 1893, and for the third wife he was married, by Rev. Father Villinger, February 15, 1894, to Miss Haller, a native of Spencer county, Ind., and one child has been born to this marriage, Joseph, now aged four years.

Mr. and Mrs. Schneider are both prominent members of St. Boniface parish. Mr. Schneider is the leading merchant in Fulda and carries a large stock of general merchandise. He is the postmaster and was appointed in 1893 under President Cleveland's administration. He owns over 200 acres of land in Spencer county, is a well-to-do man, and is respected for his unswerving integrity.

**J**OHAN CORNELIUS SCHMOLL, the junior member of the extensive grocery firm of Schmoll Bros., Peru, Ind., is also a native of this city and was born September 9, 1861, a son of Michael and Adeline (Speck) Schmoll, mentioned elsewhere in the biography of John Andrew Schmoll, elder brother of subject.

John C. Schmoll attended a public school until nine years old and then studied in private under Rev. Father Meissner until admitted into the Catholic church in July, 1873, after which he attended the parochial school until seventeen years old, and then he served an apprenticeship at the machinist's trade for three years and worked as a journeyman at the same calling for two years, when he formed a partnership with his brother in the present grocery and provision business.

January 24, 1886, Mr. Schmoll was united in marriage, at Indianapolis, Ind., with Miss Mary Clark, a native of that city and a daughter of Charles T. Clark. This union has been blessed with three children—Adelaine, Catherine and Charles, all of whom, with their parents, belong to St. Charles Borromeo congregation at Peru. Mr. Schmoll is a member of the Catholic Knights of America, and Mrs. Schmoll is a member of the Altar society of the church. Both are active and prominent in church work, and socially are highly esteemed for their many good qualities of mind and heart.

**R**EV. JOHN B. SCHORNO, chaplain of the chapel of the Immaculate Conception, convent of the nuns of St. Benedict, at Ferdinand, Dubois county, Ind., is a native of the canton Schwytz, Switzerland, was born January 10, 1863, and is the third child in a family of six—four sons and two daughters—born to August and Regina (Schindler) Schorno.

The primary education of Father Schorno was finished in the parochial schools of his native canton, and he next entered the gymnasium at Einseldeln in 1870, and there finished his classical and philosophical course in 1883. He next entered the Theological seminary at Chur, Graubunden, Switzerland, in the fall of 1883, and graduated in 1886. He set sail from Havre, France,

September 17, 1887, and landed in New York, his objective point being the monastery of St. Meinrad, Ind., which place he entered as a novitiate and there was his established home. He was often called upon by the abbot to officiate in the outlying parishes, and in 1895 he was selected by the abbot to go to Devil's Lake, S. Dak., to open up the school at the new priory of St. Gaul's. This duty was an important one, but Father Schorno ably performed his part.

From 1890 to 1895 Father Schorno was selected by the abbot for the office of prefect of St. Meinrad's college. In June, 1897, he was placed in charge of the convent at Ferdinand, known as the Immaculate Conception, as chaplain, and is still the incumbent. This famous nunnery has an attendance of ninety-five inmates of the Benedictine order. June 28, 1898, Rev. Eberhardt Stadler, the jubilee priest in charge of Ferdinand parish, died, and Father Schorno was given the responsibility of the large congregation and the convent. He has two Benedictine assistants. His duties are many and arduous, but he is well qualified to perform the work. He is a scholar, and contributes to the leading Catholic periodicals. In his manner he is social, genial, cordial and agreeable to all, and is winning a high place in the hearts of his parishioners.

REV. JOHN KILIAN SCHOTT, pastor of St. Anthony's church, Evansville, is a native of Germany, born in Pottendorf, diocese of Wuerzburg, kingdom of Bavaria, May 6, 1861. His parents were Adam and Anna Marie Keller Schott, natives of the same country, the father born in Pottendorf and the mother in the parish of Langfeld.

Father Schott attended the schools of his native country until fifteen years of age, and in August, 1876, came to the United States, locating first at the town of Newberg, on the Ohio river, with an aunt, Mrs. Michael Bush, who had preceded him to this country. He then entered St. Meinrad's Benedictine abbey, where he pursued his studies until completing the prescribed course, and where, on the nineteenth of June, 1886, he was solemnly ordained

to the priesthood by Rt. Rev. Bishop Chatard, of Vincennes. During the succeeding five and half years, Father Schott served as assistant to Rev. Scheideler, pastor of St. Mary's church, Indianapolis, and then became rector of St. Joseph's Hill, Clark county, where he exercised the duties of his holy office for four years and nine months. On November 7, 1896, he was transferred to Evansville as pastor of St. Anthony's, one of the largest parishes in the city, numbering at this time over 300 families and having one of the finest and most commodious temples of worship in western Indiana. The parochial school connected with the church is in a flourishing condition, with an attendance of about 360 pupils. Over this, as well as all the sodalities of St. Anthony's—the Young Ladies' sodality of the Blessed Virgin and Christian Mothers, Young Men's society, St. Anthony's society and and St. Agnes' Young Ladies' society—Father Schott exercises personal direction, and the success and efficiencies of these various adjuncts of the church are largely due to his earnest and untiring labors. Father Schott has been solicitous to do everything within his power to promote the best interests of his church and people, and how well he has succeeded is shown by the prosperous condition which his parish now enjoys.

Kindly and sociable, with a nature overflowing with good will to all men, he is loved and respected, not only by the members of the church to which he so ably ministers, but by the citizens of the community, regardless of religious affiliation.

MRS. HENRY SCHNELL, of Schnellville, Ind., is a native of Hinfald, Germany, was born April 22, 1829, and is the second in a family of two sons and three daughters born to Andrew and Barbara Hilbert, of which family, however, there is but one, beside herself, still living.

Mrs. Schnell was confirmed in the Catholic faith at the age of twelve years, and in 1852 sailed from Bremen for the United States. After a voyage of three months' duration, she landed in New Orleans, whence she came to the vicinity of Celestine, Dubois

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county, Ind., and June 24, 1852, was united in marriage with Henry Schnell, which union was blessed with six sons and six daughters, of whom six still survive, viz: Catherine, who was confirmed at the age of twelve years and is now the wife of Joseph E. Buchhart, a leading merchant of Dubois county; Henry, who married Miss Otilia Schultz, is the father of three children, and is a business man of Crawford county; Peter, a business man of Ferdinand Station and married to Miss Oma Kinsler; Joseph, who married Miss Emma Bender, who, like himself, was confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais, and who has borne him one son and three daughters—Mr. Schnell being one of the proprietors of the flouring-mill at Schnellville; Mary, who for ten years has been a nun in the convent at Ferdinand; Theresa, wife of George Schaaf, a carpenter and joiner at Lincoln, Nebr., and the mother of two sons and one daughter.

At the time of their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Schnell were the owners of forty acres of land only, which they were obliged to grub and clear, but, by industry and frugality, they acquired many hundreds of acres. Mr. Schnell was a wonderfully energetic man and farseeing. He was prominent in all the affairs of his township and county, was extremely popular, and was for eleven years township trustee, and also for many years township commissioner. He was the main factor in the founding of the Catholic church in Schnellville, donating the ten acres of land which constituted the church grounds. He was a true patriot and served three years in the Union army during the Civil war, taking part in several severe battles. He is now invalided and being treated at the Alexian Brothers' hospital at St. Louis.

Mrs. Schnell has a beautiful home in Schnellville, and still enjoys the society of many friends who have known her for nearly a half century, and where she is honored and respected by hundreds of others. She is kind and hospitable, is generous in her contributions to support of the church of the Sacred Heart, of which she has been so long a devout member, but this is not alone the recipient of her bounty, as it is well known that she is munificent in her charities, notwithstanding the fact that she modestly endeavors to keep her good deeds to herself.

MRS. MAGDELINA SCHROEDER, the energetic lady engaged in the grocery business at Aurora, Dearborn county, Ind., is a daughter of J. Rief, of Germany. Her father came to the United States in 1854, and was a stonemason by trade, at which he worked many years, then kept hotel. His death occurred October 18, 1870, in Lawrenceburg. Magdalena was united in matrimony to Ernest Schroeder June 25, 1860, which union was blessed with ten children, six of them living, viz: Emma, now Mrs. Ferrin, of Cincinnati, her husband being a tinner; Henry E. resides in Cincinnati; Lena M., Gertrude E. and Amelia, wife of Fred Mountel, who is engaged in the livery and undertaking business with his father, and Clara R. The members of the family residing in Aurora belong to St. Mary's church, with the exception of Mr. Schroeder, who is not a Catholic.

JOHN GERHARD SCHWEGMAN, postmaster at Richmond Ind., was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, March 25, 1843, a son of Christian and Mary Ann (Vosgroene) Schwegman.

Christian Schwegman was a native of Bremen city, province of Hanover, Germany, was born in 1812, was there reared to manhood, and about the year 1840 came to the United States, landing in New York city with twenty-five cents in his pocket. From New York he came west as far as Cincinnati, Ohio, where he found employment as a gardener, and was married in that city in 1841. He then engaged in the grocery trade until 1845, when, on account of failing health, he came to the then frontier town of Richmond, Ind., bought forty acres of land south of and adjoining the town, and one acre within the town limits, on South Fifth street, where he resided until his death from cholera, August 27, 1849. He was one of the promoters of Catholicity in Richmond, and donated to St. Andrew's parish the old cemetery, south of town, and was also one of the church trustees. St. Andrew's congregation, numbering eleven or twelve families, at first worshiped in a dwelling on South Fourth street which still remains opposite the site of the present St. John's Lutheran church until 1848, when the old St. Andrew's



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church-building was erected, with a full seating capacity for 200 persons. It was from this church, before it had been completed, that the remains of Mr. Schwegman were conveyed to their last resting place. In April, 1860, the old structure was demolished, and the present house of worship erected.

To the marriage of Christian and Mary Ann Schwegman were born four children, viz: John Gerhard, Christian and Henry (both deceased) and Frank, a butcher and cold-storage warehouse proprietor, of Richmond. The mother of this family was called from earth in May, 1885, and her remains were interred, with those of the other deceased members of the family, in the new cemetery, on Liberty avenue, south of town. She was prominent in church circles, was a member of the Anna society of St. Andrew, and died a devout Catholic, in which faith she had reared all her children.

John Gerhard Schwegman, who was but four years of age when brought to Richmond, Ind., by his parents, attended St. Andrew's parochial school until fourteen years old, and then worked in a brickyard until 1859; he next clerked in a grocery store until 1867, when, under the firm name of Korthaus & Schwegman, or the Peoples' Ice company, he engaged in the ice business, in addition to the grocery trade, Mr. Schwegman attending to the grocery and his partner to the ice department, until 1872, when it became apparent that the attention of both partners was required in the ice trade alone, and this was the industry to which their time was devoted until 1893, when the plant was sold to the Union Ice company, whose business Mr. Schwegman superintended one year, when he was appointed, January 8, 1894, under the Cleveland administration, postmaster of Richmond, taking charge February 1, 1894. His corps of assistants is made up as follows: Deputy, Benjamin F. Wissler; general delivery clerk, Anna Golden; stamp clerk, Cornelius McDonald; directory clerk, Sarah Moorman; registry clerk, Fannie Bergan; mail clerks, Frank W. Wilson and John L. Lott; also eleven carriers and two substitute carriers—making thirteen carriers in all.

The marriage of Mr. Schwegman took place in Richmond, November 7, 1872, to Miss Mary Johannes, who was born in Cin-

cinnati, Ohio, in 1853, and this union has been blessed with twelve children, born in the following order: Anna, deceased; Edward and George, with the Union Ice company; Lillie, at home; Harry, deceased; Albert, Joseph and Eugene, at home; Rosa, deceased; Clara, at home; Raymond, deceased, and Marguerite. The family are all members of St. Andrew's church, of which Mr. Schwegman was for five years a trustee, and is now a member of the Men's society, while Mrs. Schwegman is a member of the Anna society. Mr. Schwegman has always been a moral and temperate man, a liberal contributor to the support of his church, and a gentleman of first-class business talents and urbane and courteous deportment. He has a valuable residence within the city limits, his home is always bright and cheerful, and his domestic relations are of the most pleasant description. He is popular with the democratic party and is also a favorite with the general public, who fully appreciate his efforts to please, in the administration of his present responsible official duties.

PROF. DANIEL SCHWEGEL, at the Holy Family school, of Oldenburg, is one of four children born to Daniel and Catherine (Gies) Schwegel, both deceased. Daniel Schwegel, the subject, was born March 27, 1852, in Germany, and came to the United States in 1872, landing in New York December 17. He began teaching on his arrival in Ohio in 1873, and continued until 1874. He then took charge of the Catholic schools at East Saginaw, Mich., and was there until 1875; was then in Nebraska for three years; in Miltensburg, Ohio, for one year; two years at North Madison, Ind.; at St. Michael, Cincinnati, Ohio, for one year; then for six years at St. Mary's of the Rock; then for five years had charge of the German department of St. John, the Evangelist, Delphos, Ohio; then assumed his present charge in July, 1893, and has about forty or fifty pupils in two high grades.

Prof. Schwegel was married January 8, 1878, to Miss Catherine Becker, a daughter of John Becker, of Cedar county, Nebr.; they have six children, viz: Charles, Frank, Anna, Lizzie, August

and Katie, all reared in the Catholic faith. Prof. Schwegel is a member of the C. K. A. and C. K. O., and in politics is a democrat. He is recognized as a talented educator and has made many friends since he came to Oldenburg, irrespective of creed or nationality.

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**E**LLIS SEARLES, a rising young attorney of Huntington, Huntington county, Ind., is the second eldest child of Dr. Joseph D. and Lucinda (Ruggles) Searles, and was born in this county August 1, 1866.

Dr. Joseph D. Searles, a native of Philadelphia, Pa., came to Huntington county, Ind., in 1853, and has here been engaged in the practice of medicine up to the present time. Here, also, he married Miss Ruggles, a native of this county, and to this marriage were born six children—the mother passing away in October, 1893.

Ellis Searles attended the public schools of Huntington until twelve years of age, and then began an apprenticeship at printing in the office of the *Lime City News*, at Huntington, served two years, then changed to the office of the *Huntington Democrat*, where he worked four years, adding, continuously, to his knowledge of the typographical art, and he proved to be no "blacksmith." He then went to Fort Wayne, where he opened a job office on Harrison street, which he sold out in 1888 and returned to Huntington, where he was employed until February, 1891, in reportorial work on the *Democrat*, when he accepted the position of city editor of the *Indianapolis Sun*, which position he held two years, and then again came back to Huntington and established the *Sunday Morning News*, which he sold in July, 1895. For a year thereafter he was city editor of the *Fort Wayne Sentinel*, and then once again returned to Huntington, as editor of the *Morning News*—which journal was later consolidated with the *Democrat*—which position he retained until November, 1897. During these years of journalistic labor, however, Mr. Searles had been an assiduous student of law, and in June, 1897, was admitted to the bar of the Huntington circuit court, and the practice of law has since been his chosen as well as remunerating profession.

The marriage of Mr. Searles took place January 24, 1891, to Miss Nellie Goring, who was born in Logansport, Ind., March 15, 1870, a daughter of John and Elizabeth (Pottmeyer) Goring, the result of the union being two bright children—Paul and Elizabeth. The family are members of St. Mary's congregation at Huntington, Mr. Searles having been converted to the Catholic faith in his adult years, and having been baptized by Rev. F. H. Gavisk, of St. John's church, Indianapolis, February 6, 1891. Mr. Searles is making as equally good progress in the legal as he did in the journalistic profession, and stands very high in the esteem of the public. He has a very pleasant home at No. 33 Roche street, and his law office is at No. 4 East Market street. Mr. Searles is a member of St. George's council, No. 87, Catholic Benevolent legion, and for several years he has been captain of St. George's commandery, No. 150, Knights of St. John.

THOMAS SEARS, deceased, was one of the earlier Catholics who have performed their duties well, and have, as it is expressed in ecclesiastical language, gone to their reward. Mr. Sears was a native of Ireland, and when he was a small child was brought to the United States by his parents. Soon after arriving in the city of New York the mother died, and the father, thus bereft of his best companion, soon brought the remainder of his family to Indianapolis, where he placed his children in various families to be reared and educated. Thomas, the subject of this sketch, and a sister, went to live with a family in Greencastle, and there he grew to manhood, when he returned to Indianapolis and engaged with the Panhandle Railway company, and after being in the service of this company for some time, transferred his services to the Vandalia Railway company, with which company he continued until his death, which occurred July 22, 1881. For a number of years he occupied the position of yardmaster, was always known as a straightforward and honest man, and a faithful, consistent member of the Catholic church.

Soon after becoming a resident of Indianapolis Mr. Sears was





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married in St. John's church, by Rev. Father Bessonies, to Miss Bridget O'Donald, who now resides with her children at No. 811 Fletcher avenue. Mrs. Sears was born in Ireland and came to the United States with a sister, who died many years ago at LaFayette, Ind. Mrs. Sears and another sister, Mrs. Rice, are the only living representatives of the family in the United States as far as known, as still another sister went to California many years ago and is supposed to be deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. Sears were blessed with a family of eight children, four of whom are still living, viz: William, George, Cora and John. The two elder sons are in the employ of the Vandalia Railway company, with which their father was so long connected. John, the youngest son, is engaged as collector for a large business house. All the children live with their mother. Of the deceased four, Nora, who married James Considine, who died September 30, 1892, leaving two sons. Mr. Considine died many years before the death of his wife. Joseph died at home March 6, 1896, when nineteen years of age, and two others died in infancy. Mrs. Sears and her family at the present time reside in St. Patrick's parish, of which they are consistent and active members, though they formerly resided in the parish of St. John.

REV. HENRY J. SEIBERTZ, the recently deceased pastor of St. Andrew's church, of Richmond, Ind., was born at Ockenfels, Rhine province, Germany, January 20, 1841, and was educated in the classics and philosophy in his native country. June 20, 1862, he arrived in America, and continued his studies at Mount St. Mary's, Cincinnati, Ohio. He was ordained at Vincennes by Bishop de St. Palais, as follows: Tonsure and minor orders June 29, subdeacon December 8, deacon December 17, and priest December 21, 1864. His first charge was that of assistant at St. Mary's, Madison, Ind., then St. Magdalen, where he built a school-house. He also built a church near what is now known as China P. O., in Jefferson county. He was next transferred to Dover and Yorkville, Ind., and at Dover built a church, and built

a school-house at Yorkville, and labored arduously until appointed to succeed Rev. Ferdinand Hundt, as pastor of St. Andrew's church at Richmond, in August, 1877. Here, in 1878, he built an addition to the school-house; in 1886 he erected a parsonage; in 1887 and 1888 frescoed the church, erected a high altar and later provided a new communion railing, pews and organ, and faithfully performed his duties as pastor until stricken with paralysis, in the midst of his pious labors, from the effects of which he expired, in hospital, in Cincinnati, January 22, 1898. His mortal remains were interred at Richmond, and his funeral was attended by many of his sorrowing parishioners, and by several clergymen from different parts of the state. The ceremonies were conducted by Right Rev. Francis S. Chatard, bishop of Vincennes, assisted by several of the visiting clergymen, were the most imposing and extensive of any heretofore held in Richmond, and it may truly be said that but few priests in Indiana were more sincerely honored than Rev. Henry J. Seibertz.

EDWARD WILLIAM SIEFERT, a native of Shelbyville, Ind., was born February 17, 1875, a son of Jacob and Mary (Fisse) Siefert, and, with the exception of a few months' absence, Shelbyville has always been his home. He attended the parochial school here until thirteen years old, and then at the age of fifteen found employment in a hub and spoke, or bent wood factory, where he remained a year and a half, and then worked in a furniture factory for a short time; he next held a position as clerk for two years, following which he went to Indianapolis, where he was employed in a hotel for nine months.

Returning to Shelbyville after this brief absence, Mr. Siefert acted as clerk in a bakery until March 8, 1897, when he opened a bicycle salesroom and repair shop, and carries a good stock of wheels, many of which he rents out. He is well equipped for repair work, and his experience in bent-wood work well qualifies him for handling bikes and for repairing them. He is polite and accommodating and knows how to please his patrons, and that he



does this is proven by his constantly increasing trade. He makes his home with his brother, Frank Siefert, and both are true Catholics and members of St. Joseph congregation, to the support of which they generously contribute of their means. Edward W. is also a Knight of St. John, and in politics is a democrat. He is very popular with the younger portion of the population of Shelbyville, and his steady-going habits have won for him the respect of all his elders.

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REV. J. B. H. SEEPE, present pastor of St. Mary's German church at Madison, Jefferson county, Ind., was appointed by Bishop Chatard April 22, 1881, and took charge on May 5. He was born at Bersenbruch, Hanover, August 4, 1830, and emigrated to this country August 15, 1836. He was ordained by Bishop de St. Palais at Vincennes as follows: Tonsure, April 15, 1858; minor orders, November 21; subdeacon, November 30; deacon, December 3; priest, December 8, 1859. His missions were: Richmond, where he built St. Andrew's church and school, 1859 to 1868; St. James, Gibson county, 1868 to 1875; St. Nicholas, Ripley county, 1875 to 1876; and Connersville, 1876 to 1881, when he was appointed to St. Mary's.

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JOHN P. SENEFELD, an ardent member of St. Patrick's church and residing at No. 1705 Fletcher avenue, Indianapolis, was born in Brookville, Franklin county, Ind., in 1848, and is a son of John and Eva Senefeld, the former of whom was born in Germany in November, 1826, and is still living in Brookville, but the latter of whom is deceased. Of the eight children born to these parents John P. is the eldest, the remaining seven having been born in the following order: Mary, Eva, Theressa, Michael, Barbara, Rev. Joseph Thomas (pastor of St. Michael's church, Bradford, Harrison county, Ind.) and Charles.

John P. Senefeld was reared to manhood and educated in his native village, and there married Miss Catherine Ryan, daughter

of Patrick and Mary Ryan, the former a native of county Limerick, and the latter of county Clare, Ireland, but now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Ryan were among the early Catholic settlers of Franklin county, Ind., and their children were six in number, born in the following order: Catherine, Thomas, Daniel, Edward, Anna and Mary. Of these, Catherine is now Mrs. Senefeld and Mary is Mrs. Callahan, and both reside in Indianapolis. The second-born child, Thomas, died at the age of twenty-four years. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Senefeld has been blessed with three children--Irene, Albert and May, the eldest two of whom were born in Brookville, and the latter in Indianapolis. The family are devout members of St. Patrick's congregation, contribute freely to the support of the church, and are among the most respected residents of their parish. Mr. Senefeld is a salesman in a hardware store, a position he has held many years, his ability, diligence and devotion to the interests of his employers forming the tenure by which he has so long retained his situation.

JOHN A. SERMERSHEIM, Jasper, dealer in clothing, boots, shoes, hats and caps, is a son of Joseph and Mary A. (Hurst) Sermersheim. Our subject was born in Dubois county, city of Jasper, on February 19, 1857, attended the common schools, and at the age of nineteen began clerking for his father, who died June 1, 1876, at Evansville. John A., the subject, continued the store, and in 1889 bought out his mother's interest, formed a partnership with August Sonderman and continued until August, 1892. At this time a change was made, and Mr. Sermersheim went into business by himself. He was married on the 14th of October, 1877, to Miss Mary A. K. Berger, of Louisville, Ky., and they have eight children, viz: Mary F., Anthony J., Alphonso J., Aloysius J., Augusta H., Olivia P., Herbert B. and Bernard G. The family are devout members of the St. Joseph church, to the support of which they liberally contribute of their means.

Socially Mr. Sermersheim is a member of the council, Y. M. I., and is its treasurer. Politically he is a democrat, and cast his first presidential vote for Gen. W. S. Hancock. His place of

business is a beautiful brick and stone, 100x25 feet in the ground plan. Mr. and Mrs. Sermersheim were confirmed by Bishop Chatard. Mrs. Sermersheim was a member of the choir of St. Joseph's church for twenty-six years—longer than any member who ever sang in this body—having joined the choir at the age of twelve.

JACOB H. SENG, one of the leading laity of St. Peter's parish and the foremost merchant of Celestine, is a native of Dubois county, Ind., was born November 5, 1849, and is the eldest of the twelve children—seven sons and five daughters—that have blessed the marriage of Louis and Elizabeth (Huffman) Seng, natives of Germany, but who came to America while still young. Of this family the mother, at the age of seventy-two years, and seven of the children are yet living, and all reside in Dubois county, with the exception of one daughter, whose home is in Wabasha, Minnesota.

Jacob H. Seng was educated in an old-fashioned log school-house and was confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais in the old log church that was erected in 1844. In early manhood he learned blacksmithing, which trade he followed twelve years, but later relinquished it for merchandizing. In the meantime, he was united in marriage, May 5, 1874, at Celestine, by Rev. Father Bruning, to Miss Elizabeth Buchart, who was born October 13, 1852, and was confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais at the age of thirteen years. This marriage has been blessed with three sons and four daughters born in the following order: Katie M., who was confirmed at the age of fourteen by Bishop Chatard, has received a good common-school and musical education, and is a member of St. Rosa sodality of St. Peter's parish; John L., who was confirmed at fourteen years of age; Frank J., who was confirmed at sixteen, was educated at Jasper college, and is now an assistant to his father in business; Henry J., Alice R., Lorena C. and Minna M.

In 1874, Mr. Seng opened a blacksmith's shop in Celestine, which he successfully conducted until February, 1879, on the 10th day of which month he opened a general store, with a somewhat

limited capital, but he was attentive to his business, polite and obliging to his partons, sagacious in the use of his income, and strictly honest in his dealings, the consequence being that he is now one of the wealthy men of Celestine. He owns his store-building, which is 90 x 24 feet in dimensions, and which is supplied with a heavy stock of dry goods, hats, caps, boots, shoes, queensware, groceries, tobacco, cigars, and the innumerable minor articles usually carried in a first-class general store; he has also a large hall, 60 x 40 feet, for balls, concerts, etc.; a bowling alley, 80 x 16 feet; a handsome residence, which was erected in 1881; about twenty-two fine building lots in the village, and several barns and structures of the same class; also a fine orchard, containing 170 trees, bearing the choicest of apples, peaches, pears, etc., and a two-acre tract north of his residence—the major part of this property having been acquired since his marriage.

In politics Mr. Seng is democrat and cast his first presidential vote for Horace Greeley. He takes much interest in the local affairs of his party, with which he is very popular, and in 1884 was elected trustee of Hall township, giving such satisfaction that he was re-elected in 1886, thus serving two terms. Mr. and Mrs. Seng stand very high in society circles, and as members of St. Peter's church are extremely liberal in promoting the good work of the church, of which they are classed among the most prominent and useful members.

**M**ARTIN SERMERSHEIM, a thrifty farmer of Ireland parish, Dubois county, Ind., and a leading member of St. Joseph's church, was born here January 26, 1861, the second of the eleven children—six sons and five daughters—born to Edward and Katharine (Freitch) Sermersheim, all of whom were confirmed by Bishop Chatard, with the exception of one daughter—Sister Mary, a nun in the convent at Ferdinand.

Edward Sermersheim, a native of Germany, was brought to America at the age of seven years, and was reared to farming in Dubois county. He was educated in the common schools, is a strict Catholic, in which faith he has reared his children, and in

politics is a staunch democrat. Mrs. Katharine Sermersheim is also a native of Germany, but was a child when brought to America by her parents. Mr. Sermersheim is now sixty-five years of age, his wife is fifty-seven, and both are held in the highest esteem by the community with whom they have passed so many years of their useful life.

Martin Sermersheim received a good common-school education and was reared to manhood on his father's farm in Dubois county. He was first married to Miss Theresa Dischinger, by Rev. Father Fidelis, at Jasper, November 9, 1886, and to this union were born three children, all now deceased. Mrs. Theresa Sermersheim passed away in the Catholic faith July 6, 1890, and for his second wife Mr. Sermersheim chose Miss Mary Hurst, daughter of Edward and Paulina Hurst. She was confirmed in the Catholic faith at the age of thirteen years by Bishop Chatard, and was educated in the common schools. She was joined in wedlock to Mr. Sermersheim, at Ireland, by the Rev. Father Dominic, April 28, 1891, and this marriage has been blessed with four children, viz: Frank D., Robert, Celia and Rosa.

Mr. and Mrs. Sermersheim lead a consistent life in the Catholic faith and are liberal in their contribution to the support of the church at Ireland, of which Mr. Sermersheim was a trustee for two years. They own a fine farm of 105 acres within a mile of Ireland, occupy a comfortable and substantial dwelling, and are industrious and prosperous. In politics Mr. Sermersheim is a democrat, and cast his first presidential vote for Grover Cleveland, but, although ardent in the support of his party, he has never sought official position. He and family are classed among the most respectable residents of Ireland parish and enjoy the unalloyed esteem of all their neighbors.

MRS. JOHANNA SEXTON, who resides at No. 1507 Daloss street, Indianapolis, was born in Ireland, and when she was a child of but four years came with her parents to the United States. Her parents were James and Julia Barry, her mother's

maiden name having been Higgins. Upon arriving in this country the family first settled in Delaware, Ohio, and three years later removed to a farm near that place, where they passed the remainder of their lives. Of the several children born to them, Mrs. Sexton is the only one that arrived at mature years. She married John Sexton, a native of Ireland, like herself, who died at their home, in the state of Ohio, in 1875. At his death he left his wife and four children, three of whom are living, viz: James, a resident of Chicago; Thomas, living at home with his mother, and Mary A. There was also a son, John, who died when in his twenty-sixth year.

Mrs. Sexton is a most worthy Catholic woman, and lives in accordance with the teachings of the church as nearly as is practicable, and is bringing up her children in a proper course of life. In this she is not only setting them, but all who may become cognizant of her conduct, a most worthy example, and deserves great credit for her fortitude and hopefulness in times of difficulty and trial.

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PETER SEXTON, a resident of Indianapolis, was born in county Clare, Ireland, where he was reared to maturity, but was still a young man when he came to America. For some years he resided in Painesville, Lake county, Ohio, but visited other parts of the country before settling in Indianapolis. April 28, 1878, he was united in marriage, in this city, at St. Patrick's church, by Rev. Father Fitzpatrick, with Miss Mary O'Neal, and this happy union has been blessed with five sons and four daughters, viz: Timothy P., Michael F., Kate R., Thomas G., Mary C., Edward J., Nellie A., Bridget L. and Peter L.

Peter Sexton and his three brothers, Patrick, Michael and Timothy, were the only members of the Sexton family to come to America, and of these Michael returned to his native land, while Timothy, when last heard from, was in the semi-torrid zone of New Mexico, and Patrick in Mandan, N. Dak. Peter, however, has been content to remain in the temperate climate of Indianapolis, where he is employed by the Panhandle R. R. Co. He has been

a resident of St. Patrick's parish for many years, and he and family are among the most respected of the large Catholic population of the parish mentioned. He is faithful in attending to his religious duties, and all his family tread in his footsteps in this commendable practice. A democrat in politics, his vote is punctually deposited each election day in support of his party. He is liberal in his contributions toward the support of the church, is surrounded by his happy family in his pleasant home, No. 1625 Hoyt avenue, and is altogether a highly respected citizen.

**THEEDY SHANNON.**—The family of this gentleman are among the prominent Catholics of St. Patrick's parish, Indianapolis, having lived herein for more than twenty years. Mr. Shannon is usually called Timothy, or Tim, Shannon, though the name, Theedy, was given him at the time of his christening. The home of Mr. Shannon is at No. 1804 Prospect street. He is a native of county Clare, Ireland, having been born in the parish of Miltownmolby, August 15, 1844. He is a son of Patrick and Margaret (Creggan) Shannon, who were the parents of nine children, five sons and four daughters, that grew to manhood and womanhood. Of these nine children, Theedy, Michael and Mary were all that came to the United States. Michael is a resident of Johnson county, Ind., and Mary died several years ago in Illinois, leaving a family.

Theedy Shannon was twenty-eight years of age upon coming to this country in 1873. Landing in Boston, Mass., in April, he remained there until December, then removed to Acton, Ind., where he lived for some time, and finally settled in Indianapolis, where he has since resided. Soon after reaching Indianapolis, he entered the employ of the C., C., C. & St. L. Railway company, and has been in their employ continuously ever since, a fact which is indicative of conscientious attention to duty and a faithful performance of the work given him to do.

Mr. Shannon was married in St. Patrick's church, Indianapolis, in April, 1875, to Miss Honora Fitzpatrick, a native of Ire-

land and a daughter of John and Mary Fitzpatrick, the maiden name of the latter having been Creghan. John Fitzpatrick died when Honora was but a child, and his widow married again, but never came to the United States. Mrs. Shannon was a member of a family of seven children that grew to mature years, and all of the seven came to this country, Mrs. Shannon's residence in Indianapolis beginning in 1871, the same year in which she came to this country.

Mr. and Mrs. Shannon have two children, a son and daughter, viz: Michael and Maggie, and the family are looked upon as one of the reliable and consistent Catholic families of the parish in which they reside, faithful in their church obligations and true to all principles that should govern men and women in their social and political relations.

REV. JOHN H. BATHE, recently pastor of St. Bernard's church at Wabash, Ind., was born in the province of Westphalia, Germany, May 20, 1854, a son of John H. and Theresia (Sandbote) Bathe, and attended the parochial school of his district until thirteen years of age. He was subsequently prepared in a higher course by private tuition, and in 1870 entered Paderborn gymnasium, where he finished his studies of the classics in 1872. He then passed a year at the Diocesan academy in the study of philosophy and theology, and next attended the Royal academy at Muenster for a year and a half. In the spring of 1875 he came to America and finished his theological studies at St. Francis seminary, Milwaukee, Wis., was ordained priest at Fort Wayne, Ind., by Bishop Dwenger, February 16, 1877, and was first assigned to the pastorate at Schererville, Lake county, where he held charge until August, and then officiated at Klaasville until December 30, 1881, when he was placed in charge of St. Bernard's congregation at Wabash, where he did good, faithful and zealous work until May 16, 1898, when he was transferred to the very responsible pastorate of St. Paul's, Valparaiso, Porter county. On account of poor health, however, he was obliged to resign this new



charge (at Valparaiso), and was appointed secretary of the right reverend bishop, and chancellor of the diocese, September 16, 1898.

JOHN JOHNSON, deceased, was a native of Mitchelltown, county Cork, Ireland, and when about nine years of age was brought to America by his father, also named John, who settled in Burlington, Vt., where he was employed as a bookkeeper, and where he died, leaving a family of seven sons and one daughter.

John Johnson, the subject, learned the trade of machinist, for some years acted as engineer on a steamboat on Lake Champlain, and was a man of great physical strength and moral courage, as the following incident will illustrate: When the Vermont Central railway was being constructed, there were many Irishmen employed on the work, and during a certain local spring election, on the 17th day of March (St. Patrick's birthday), the whigs hanged the saint in effigy, which act aroused the ire of the Irish Catholics, and they made an attempt to hew down the staff on which the effigy was suspended, but the sheriff stepped forward with a loaded gun and threatened to shoot the first man that approached the staff. Nevertheless Mr. Johnson seized an ax, walked up to the flag-staff, and, remarking to the sheriff: "If you shoot, be sure you don't miss me, as I will not miss you with this ax," and proceeded to demolish the obnoxious pole.

In June, 1851, Mr. Johnson came to Indiana to superintend some hoisting machinery at the building of the White river bridge, and later was employed in running stationary engines, and still later engaged in quarrying stone. In 1878 he entered the fruit and confectionery trade at Bedford, in which he continued until his death, which occurred February 27, 1892, at his residence on the corner of J and Seventeenth streets. The first mass read in Bedford was at his residence, and his contributions to the support of the Catholic church were ever most liberal. His wife was also a very devout Catholic, and was suddenly called away in the faith, January 29, 1897, having been sick but twenty minutes. They were the parents of thirteen children, of whom two sons and five daugh-

ters only reached years of maturity, viz: John, Jr., journalist, of Bedford; Maggie, wife of John Torphey; Ellen, Katie, Mary, Rose, and Francis X., manager of the opera house.

JOHN JOHNSON, JR., proprietor and editor of the Democrat, and also postmaster of Bedford, was born in Burlington, Vt., September 18, 1850, a son of John Johnson (deceased), whose biography is given above, and his wife, Catherine (Murphy) Johnson, and has lived in Bedford since infancy.

Mr. Johnson attended the public schools of Bedford until about sixteen years old, and then followed railroading for two years; he next entered a printing office, learned the trade, and all his time in this line, with the exception of one week, has been passed in Bedford. January 20, 1875, he issued the first number of the Bedford Star, owning his type but hiring his press-work done; in 1876, Rev. Father Henry Kessing advanced him \$400, with which to purchase a Washington hand-press and a Gordon jobber, and other materials, and thus he was able to continue his publication more economically; in 1885, he purchased the Banner, consolidated the two papers, under the title of the Democrat, which he continued as a weekly until June, 1892, when the Daily Democrat made its appearance—the Democrat being the only journal, or organ, of the party bearing its name in Lawrence county.

Mr. Johnson was secretary of the democratic central county committee for years, then became its chairman, and under his skillful manipulation the republican majority in the county was reduced to a smaller figure than ever before; in 1889 he was elected roll-clerk of the lower house of the state legislature, in 1893 was re-elected without opposition, and in 1894 was appointed postmaster of Bedford.

Mr. Johnson has been twice married—first, in 1875, to Miss Lou Fiddler, who died in April, 1877, leaving one son—Walter S.; secondly, in 1886, to Miss Ella Clare, of Marysville, Ky., and this union has been blessed with one child—Colette. Mr. Johnson has been energetic and industrious in his business, able and

efficient, and is now the owner of his residence property, while the family are also owners of considerable business property, and all are true Catholics.

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**M**ICHAEL SHARKEY, a prominent citizen of Indianapolis, and a well-known and highly esteemed member of St. Patrick's parish, who resides with his family at No. 1433 English avenue, was born in county Roscommon, Ireland, about 1850. He is a son of John Sharkey, who died when Michael was about eighteen years of age, his wife having died several years previously. John Sharkey and his wife were the parents of three children, their names being John, Martin and Michael. After the death of the mother of these three sons, their father married again, and by his second marriage became the father of seven children.

Michael Sharkey, the subject of this sketch, when nineteen years of age, came to the United States, his two brothers having preceded him. They were at that time residents of Indiana, as is Martin at the present time, living within the limits of St. John's parish, while John died in Greencastle in 1892. Upon reaching this country, Michael Sharkey came directly to Indiana, living for a time in Morristown, and then finally locating in Indianapolis. In 1879 he engaged in the business of boilermaking with the I., C. & St. L. Railway company, now popularly known as the Big Four, and is still employed by that company in the same capacity.

Mr. Sharkey was married in St. Joseph's church, Indianapolis, by Rev. Father Alerding, to Miss Mary Duffecy, who was born at College Corners, Ohio, near the Indiana state line. Her parents are Thomas and Catherine Duffecy, the maiden name of the latter having been Owens. They are natives of Ireland and now reside within the limits of the parish of the Holy Cross, Indianapolis. Mr. and Mrs. Sharkey have six children, two sons and four daughters, as follows: John H., Mary T., Catherine C., Nellie, William and Bessie.

Mr. Sharkey descends from an ancient and honorable family, the traits of their character having descended to the subject of this

sketch, who enjoys the respect and esteem of his fellow-citizens in a marked degree. He is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and is a most worthy citizen in every respect.

**T**HOMAS SHEA, who lives at No. 1525 East Market street, Indianapolis, Ind., was born in the parish of Drummond, county Kerry, Ireland, near Waterville, and about five miles from the birthplace of the great Irish patriot, Daniel O'Connell, December 23, 1835. His mother died when he was quite young, but the father is still living, in Indianapolis, cared for by his sons. Thomas Shea came to the United States in 1864, landing in New York July 24.

Michael Shea is one of the most remarkable men living in this or any other country, mainly perhaps on account of his great age. The date of his birth, which is well authenticated, was September 29, 1781, and hence at the present time, 1898, he is more than 116 years old. He was born in county Kerry, Ireland, and in his youth learned the trade of blacksmith, a trade followed by many of the male members of his family, both before him and after him. He was well acquainted with the patriot, Daniel O'Connell, being only six years his junior. Before he married he had passed the half century mark, and now is well preserved in health, being active on his feet, and possessing his sight, hearing and intellectual powers to a remarkable degree. The fact of his great age is in part explained by his being descended from ancestors famous for their longevity, his father living to be 104 years old, and his grandfather to be 114. His wife, Joanna Tehan, died in 1854. By her he had five children, viz: Thomas, Julia, Mary, Michael (deceased), and James, the youngest of the family, who came to the United States with his father in 1864 and with whom the father resides.

Thomas Shea, the subject of this sketch, learned the trade of blacksmith from his father, and came to the United States with him in 1864, settling during the same year in Indianapolis. On November 10, 1895, he was married to Miss Mary Kirby, who was born in county Kerry, and came to the United States in early life,

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though her parents have never crossed the sea. Three sisters, cousins of Mrs. Shea, Kate, Mary and Bridget, consecrated their lives to the church, being at one time Sisters at the S. S. chapel in Indianapolis. Mary died there and was buried in the convent yard, the other two being still in the chapel.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Shea have four children living and four dead. The living are as follows: Julia, Michael, Timothy and Mary. James died June 9, 1896, at the age of twenty-one years. He was a most worthy young man, and his loss was deeply felt, not only by his family, but by all that knew him. Thomas and Joanna died in early life, and one died an infant.

Thomas Shea has been employed by the Pennsylvania Railway company as a blacksmith since 1877, and James is also in the employ of the same company. Both are excellent men, in every way worthy of confidence, and are held in high esteem by those that know them. Both brothers and their families are devout Catholics.

**J**OHAN SHAUGHNESSY was born June 24, 1861, in North Madison, Ind., and is a son of Patrick and Mary Shaughnessy. Patrick Shaughnessy was a native of Ireland and by occupation a shoemaker. He did not follow that calling after becoming a citizen of the United States, but worked at other vocations, and for some years prior to his death was employed in a starch factory. His wife, whose maiden name was Mary Wade, bore him two children, the subject of this sketch and James Shaughnessy, both residents of the city of Madison. Some years after the death of her husband, Mrs. Shaughnessy married Barney Doyle, by whom she had three children, viz: Mary, Thomas and Ella Doyle. The mother is still living in Madison.

John Shaughnessy was educated in the St. Michael schools, Madison, and at Lexington, Ky., taking a commercial course at the latter place, and he began life for himself as a clerk in the Western hotel in his native city; later he accepted the position of ticket agent for the railroad company, at Madison, and was thus employed until 1885, in which year he became clerk and book-

keeper for the W. Trow company, a position he still occupies. Mr. Shaughnessy possesses clerical abilities of a high order, and is a gentleman universally respected by his fellow-citizens of Madison. He was married January 13, 1886, to Mary L. Devine, daughter of Patrick and Catherine (Boyle, née Cannon) Devine, and has an interesting family of five children, viz: Kathleen, Howard, Lillian, John and Robert. Mr. Shaughnessy and family belong to St. Mary's parish, and are active in all church work. They have a comfortable residence on West Main street and enjoy the esteem of a large circle of friends in Madison, regardless of church affiliation.

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CHARLES SHELL, of West Indianapolis, an early member of the church of the Assumption, was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, February 1, 1850. His parents were Henry and Genevieve Shell, natives of Bavaria, Germany, who came to the United States shortly after their marriage, the father at the time being twenty-six years of age. They located in Cincinnati, where their three eldest children were born, and thence to Hamilton, Ohio, and still later became residents of Shelby county, that state. After some years on a farm in the aforesaid county, the family removed to the city of Dayton, where the wife and mother died, and where the father still resides. Henry and Genevieve Shell became the parents of seven children, six living, one daughter, Elizabeth, dying after reaching the years of womanhood. The eldest of the family, Margaret, is the wife of Henry Muller; Mary is at home with her father; Charles is the next in order of birth; John resides in Dayton, and the two youngest, Henry and Joseph, are at Miamisburg, Ohio.

Charles Shell spent his youthful years at the various places above mentioned and in young manhood learned the trade of mill-wrighting, which he has since successfully followed. At the present time he is employed in the car works of West Indianapolis, and has the reputation of being a very thorough and skillful mechanic, also a reliable, and, in every way, a trustworthy man. February 23, 1892, was solemnized his marriage with Mrs. Lizzie Daugherty.

whose family name was Kiley. Her parents were natives of Ireland, and died when she was a child three years of age. She was reared in Vincennes, Ind., in the family of Stephen Meany, who gave the little orphan girl a good home and treated her as their own child, having no children of their own. Her first husband was John Daugherty, to whom she was married August 22, 1876, in St. Joseph's church, Indianapolis, by Rev. Fr. Alerding. Mr. Daugherty was accidentally killed by a railway train, March 30, 1889. He was a faithful Catholic, a worthy citizen and was known and loved by a large circle of friends in Indianapolis and elsewhere. By this marriage Mrs. Shell had five children, of whom Margaret, Ellen, John and Michael Daugherty are living, and James died in childhood.

Mr. and Mrs. Shell have a pleasant home on Nordyke avenue, West Indianapolis, and are among the most useful and highly esteemed members of the parish to which they belong.

**J**OHAN JOSEPH SHEEHY, a favorite locomotive engineer on the Big Four, or C., C., C. & St. L. railroad, and residing at No. 1011 Harrison street, Indianapolis, was born in London, England, February 7, 1856, and is a son of Roger and Mary (O'Brien) Sheehy, the former a native of county Cork, and the latter a native of county Tipperary, Ireland, but who went to England when young and were married in London.

Roger Sheehy was a slate planer by occupation—that is, he planed and leveled slate beds used in billiard and bagatelle tables—and he also planed all the slate used in the mammoth steamer, Great Eastern. He brought his family to America in 1859 and first located in Lawrenceburg, Ind., where he engaged in his first railroad service; thence he removed to London, in the same state, and then to Greensburg, where the family residence was maintained for twenty-nine years, and there the father passed away at the age of sixty-four years, and the mother at seventy. Their children were six in number, and of these Bridget is married and lives in Kansas; John J. is the subject of this memoir; Mary; Daniel is a

railway engineer, of Indianapolis; James, who was a locomotive engineer, was killed in an accident at Blackstone, south of Petersburg, Va., and his remains lie interred near the old battle field; Annie, the youngest, is also deceased.

John J. Sheehy received a good public-school education and commenced work for the C., C., C. & St. L. Railroad company in 1871, beginning as a section laborer, and has been with the Big Four ever since, with the exception of two years, when he was employed on the C., H. & I. road. From a section hand he was promoted to brakeman, and served two years; then was fireman for six years; was then promoted to be a conductor of a passenger train on the White Water Valley division, which position he held one year, and then returned to firing; in 1881 he was placed in charge of his first engine, and during his sixteen years' experience in this capacity, although he has had some "close calls"—at one time having a head-end collision and at another having his engine turned over on its side in a ditch—he has escaped all serious bodily injury. One of his successors as engineer on one of his former runs, together with his fireman, were both killed just after his transfer to his new run.

October 16, 1884, Mr. Sheehy was united in marriage at St. Patrick's church, Cincinnati, by Rev. Father Mackey, with Miss Mary Pratt, a native of Harrison, Ohio, and a daughter of John and Margaret (McCarty) Pratt. The father, who was a farmer, was a native of county Tipperary, Ireland, and the mother, of county Kerry; they were married in Dover, Ind., in 1854, and the father died in Harrison, Ohio, August 27, 1886; the mother, now aged sixty-seven years, is a member of Mr. Sheehy's household. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Sheehy has been blessed with four children, born in the following order: John Roger Daniel, Edward, James Keegan and Mary Margaret. The family are members of St. Patrick's church, Indianapolis, although for the first three years after marriage they lived in Greensburg, Ind., the succeeding five years in Cincinnati, Ohio, and for the past six years have made Indianapolis their home.

Mr. Sheehy is the picture of robust health and vigorous manhood, weighs over 300 pounds and yet is active enough to be able



to leap on board a train running at the rate of thirty-five miles an hour. He is prominent as a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and is regarded as one of the most careful engineers in the employ of the Big Four. In politics he is independent.

**J**OHN SHERIDAN is a native of Ireland, born in county Cavan, December 19, 1857, son of Bernard and Kate Sheridan. He remained in the land of his nativity until 1882, at which time he came to the United States and located at Indianapolis, where, within a short period, he obtained a position in the Indiana hospital for the insane. He began as an attendant and filled the place for three years, and was then promoted to the dining department, over which he has since exercised supervision. This is a position of responsibility and trust, requiring faithful and prompt attention, and the fact that Mr. Sheridan has filled it for twelve years is evidence that he is eminently fitted for the place.

Mr. Sheridan was married in Indianapolis, August, 1888, to Mrs. Mary Sloan, who was born in county Cavan, Ireland, reared in the same neighborhood with her husband, and came to America on the same ship in which he made the voyage to the new world. Mr. and Mrs. Sheridan have four living children and one deceased, who were named: Bernard P., James William, John Joseph, Marie and Sarah Agnes; John J. died in infancy,

From his youth up Mr. Sheridan has been an ardent Catholic, and he took an active part in the organization of St. Anthony's parish, Haughville, contributing liberally of his means toward the erection of the house of worship, Sisters' residence and pastoral house. Mrs. Sheridan was born of Protestant parents, but was converted to Catholicism after her marriage.

Mr. Sheridan is a man of robust physique and has had no personal experience as to the nature of sickness. He has the unbounded confidence of his employers in the hospital and stands high in the church, also in social circles of the community, where he has for many years resided. He has one sister and a brother in Indianapolis, and his mother and one sister live in the old country.

the brother and sisters being Mrs. Mary Mackey, in Ireland; Mrs. Kate Scheine, of Indianapolis, and Michael, an insurance agent of the Capital city.

**WILLIAM SHINE**, who is living in retirement at No. 923 Church street, Indianapolis, was born in county Limerick, Ireland, about 1833, a son of Cornelius and Ellen Enright Shine—the Shine family tracing their lineage to France. Cornelius and Ellen Shine passed the greater part of their lives in their native county of Limerick, although they died in county Kerry. They reared a large and respected family, named, in order of birth, as follows: David, William, Michael, Cornelius, Margaret, Ellen, and Johanna. These children all still live in Ireland, with the exception of William, whose name opens this paragraph, Margaret, who died in her native parish, and Johanna, who died in Kansas City, Mo., all good and true Catholics.

William Shine was married in his native county, in February, 1861, by Rev. Father Morochty, in the parish of Knockanure, to Miss Bridget Sullivan, a daughter of Eugene and Katherine (Connell) Sullivan, natives of the western part of county Kerry, Ireland, and who died on the farm on which they had passed all their life. They were the parents of six children, Mrs. Shine being the eldest, and the others being named Mary, Thomas, John, Eugene, and Thomas (second). The sons all passed away in Ireland, and the daughter, May, is now Mrs. Daniel McCarty, of Indianapolis. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. William Shine was blessed with thirteen children, whose names are all given in the sketch of John W. Shine.

William Shine had been preceded to America by his son, John W., and a daughter of about two years, and in 1886 he disposed of his lease on the farm in Ireland and brought the remainder of his family to Indianapolis, where he has prospered and now owns considerable real estate. The family are all members of St. John's church, and the parents are also members of the church sodalities, Mrs. Shine being also a member of the league of the Sacred Heart, and the daughter, at home, a member of the Young Ladies'

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sodality. No family in the parish is held in higher respect, and personally Mr. and Mrs Shine are especially esteemed for their many christian virtues.

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**J**OHAN W. SHINE, patrolman, and one of the most efficient members of the Indianapolis police force, was born in the parish of Knockanure, county Kerry, Ireland, June 24, 1864, and is a son of William and Bridget (Sullivan) Shine, both natives of the same county.

William Shine was a farmer in the old country, but on coming to America, in 1886, entered the employ of the Indianapolis Belt Railroad company, with which he remained six years, and then retired. He and wife had born to them a family of thirteen children, of whom nine still survive and reside in Indianapolis, viz: Mrs. Mary Mulehill; Cornelius, employed at Kingan's packing-house; William, a bartender; Thomas, an upholsterer; Katie, a dressmaker; Michael, a porkpacker; Eugene, a sawmaker, and Maggie, a student, beside John W., the subject, who is the eldest.

John W. Shine passed his earlier business years in the employ of John Stack, a member of parliament and a dry-goods merchant in the town of Listowell, county Kerry, Ireland. He preceded his family two years to America, and for one year worked for D. J. Sullivan, a dry-goods merchant of Indianapolis, and was then, for six years, steward in the dining-room of the Central Insane hospital of Indiana, having under his charge about 500 patients. He was next employed for two years as assistant superintendent of the Prudential Life Insurance company. During the two terms that Mayor Sullivan was at the head of the city administration, Mr. Shine was a foreman on street work, and December 1, 1897, was appointed a member of the city police force.

Mr. Shine was united in marriage April 17, 1888, at St. John's church, by Rev. Father Bessonies, to Miss Katie Sheridan, a native of county Cavan, Ireland, and a daughter of Bernard and Kate (Maher) Sheridan, who also had one son, Michael, who served sixteen years in the British army. Mr. and Mrs. Shine have been blessed with two children, viz: William, who was born

March 26, 1889, and Katie, born October 12, 1891. The family are devout members of St. John's church, contribute liberally toward its support, and politically Mr. Shine is a sound-money democrat. He is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and was a charter member of the Celtic club. Mrs. Shine is a member of the Ladies' Auxiliary society of the A. O. H., and both he and she are greatly respected by a large number of sincere friends.

MRS. MARGARET SMEAD, one of the well-known ladies of the church of the Assumption, Indianapolis, was born in the parish of Keloughs, county Mayo, Ireland, and is the daughter of Edwin and Anne (Ward) Quinn. These parents never left their native land, but lived and died near the old ancestral home, where their bodies now repose side by side.

It is worthy of mention that Mrs. Smead attended school with the present priest of her native parish and was christened in the church of which he is now pastor; this is the Rev. Patrick McAlpin. Mrs. Smead belongs to a family of seven members, three brothers and four sisters, the latter all older than the brothers, the subject being youngest of the four.

On the 3d of May, 1875, Mrs. Smead left her native home and three days later sailed from Queenstown for New York, where she landed in due time after an uneventful voyage. On the 26th of the above month she arrived in Indianapolis, which city has since been her home. She was accompanied by none of her family or friends on her journey to the new world, but was met at Castle Garden by a friend of her father, Patrick Doudle, who had preceded her and who, at the time, was living in the city of New York. This gentleman kindly cared for her and saw her safe off for the city to which she was destined. Four of the family of Mrs. Smead have since come to the United States, and of these all but one are living; they are Bridget, now Mrs. Gleason, of Indianapolis; Anthony Quinn, of Indianapolis, and Thomas Joseph, of Brazil. Two of the family, Mary and Edward, are still in Ireland.

September 17, 1885, was solemnized the marriage of Margaret

Quinn and William H. Smead. Mr. Smead was born in Terre Haute, Ind., March 31, 1848; his parents were natives respectively of Vermont and Virginia. When he was a lad the family moved to Michigan, and later returned to Indiana, locating in Brazil, where his parents ended their days. He is one of four brothers, and, while not a Catholic, is in sympathy with the church and a man of most excellent record as a citizen. At this time he fills the position of yardmaster of the Indiana Railway company, which operates what is known as the Belt.

Mrs. Smead has been active in church work, especially since the establishment of Assumption parish, and in all her efforts to promote the cause of religion she is seconded by her husband, whose sympathy and encouragement have ever proved potent factors. They have a pleasant home on Nordyke avenue, and number among their warm personal friends many of the leading citizens of West Indianapolis.

THOMAS B. SHOEMAKER, of No. 1516 Spann avenue, Indianapolis, was born in Columbus, Ohio, July 28, 1854, and is a son of Frederick and Mary Shoemaker, natives of Germany, who came to America in early life and eventually settled in Indianapolis in 1855, were a long time members of St. Mary's parish, and here passed away some years since, devout in the Catholic faith. They were the parents of ten children, one of whom died before the parents were summoned from earth, and nine still survive.

October 29, 1878, Thomas B. Shoemaker was united in marriage with Miss Mary R. Greany, a daughter of Dennis and Mary Greany, of whom more may be read in the article relative to Thomas Greany, on another page. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Shoemaker has been blessed with two children, Frank and Gertrude, and all the family now belong to St. Patrick's church, of which the parents have been members ever since their marriage. They are faithful to their religious duties and freely contribute to the support of the church, lending their aid to all its methods for

doing the work of charity, for which the congregation is noted, and live in the enjoyment of the good will and esteem of their many friends, and especially respected by their immediate neighbors. Mr. Shoemaker is a tinner, employed in the shops of the Panhandle Railroad company.

**J**OSEPH G. SMELTZER, foreman in the blacksmith department of the railway shops at Washington, Ind., and a respected member of St. Simon's parish, was born in Fairfield county, Ohio, April 26, 1864. His parents, Ansnam and Margaret (Keller) Smeltzer, were natives of Ohio and of German extraction. The father was a well-to-do farmer, and was a soldier in the Civil war, serving two years in an Ohio regiment; both were members of St. Joseph's parish, Sugar Grove, Ohio. The mother died in 1871. The father is still living and enjoying the quiet retirement fitting to his age. He is an ardent democrat and still takes much interest in political matters.

Joseph G. Smeltzer received a fair education in the district schools, and very early began to "do" for himself, at the age of fourteen leaving the parental roof to make his own way. He went to Columbus, Ohio, where he attended school for a year, and then spent a year in the employment of the Columbus Buggy company. He then went to Perry county, Ohio, where he worked as a blacksmith in the mines for a year. He returned to Columbus, and, securing employment in the blacksmith department of the Pennsylvania company's shops, remained there for thirteen years. He then moved to Huntington, Ind., where he was employed as a "boss" blacksmith by the C. & E. Railway company for nearly two years, after which he returned to Columbus, resuming his position in the Pennsylvania company's shops, remaining there for a year. In 1892 he was tendered the position of foreman in the blacksmith department of the railway shops at Washington, and may now be considered a permanent resident of this city.

On April 22, 1885, Mr. Smeltzer was married, at Columbus, to Rosa Conlon, who was born at Athens, Ohio, December 25,

1869, daughter of Patrick Conlon. To them have been born five children: Edward H., deceased; Bertha E., Nora E., Anna B., and Richard. Mr. and Mrs. Smeltzer take much interest in the affairs of St. Simon's church, and politically he is a republican.

**G**EORGE SMITH, the genial proprietor of the Broadway hotel, Madison, Ind., was born in Hessen, Germany, July 11, 1833, a son of John and Mary Schmidt, as the name was then spelled, who came to the United States in 1846, landing from a sailing vessel in Baltimore, Md., August 6, after a voyage of thirteen weeks.

John Schmidt was a weaver by trade, but, on coming to America, settled near Newport, Ky., and engaged in gardening and vine culture, but died in Dayton, a suburb of Newport, November 1, 1890; the mother died December 1, 1893, and of their six children five were born in Germany and one in America. These were George, the subject of this memoir; Elizabeth, married to John Lynch, and residing in Louisville, Ky.; Lawrence, who died in Dayton, Ky., leaving two children, Anna and Elizabeth; Gertrude is married to John Haak, of Dayton; Catherine became Mrs. Ulleib, but is now deceased, and Mary was married to Casper Rheinhard, of Madison, Ind., and here died, leaving one son, John.

George Schmidt, paternal grandfather of subject, and his wife came to the United States in 1834, and passed the remainder of his life in Madison. Of his six children, five sons also came to America, and were named Lawrence, John, George, Conrad and Jacob, all now deceased, and one daughter, Mrs. Kraut, died in Germany.

George Smith, the subject proper of this memoir, came from Dayton, Ky., to Madison, Ind., November 2, 1858, and on the 10th of the same month became associated with his uncle, Jacob Schmidt, in the conducting of the Broadway hotel, and in June, 1860, was married, immediately after which happy event he became sole proprietor, is now the oldest hotel man in the city, and since April, 1868, has owned the property.

To the marriage of Mr. Smith with Miss Mary Pittgen, a native of Germany and a daughter of John Pittgen, were born eleven children, viz: Elizabeth, wife of Charles E. Pfau, of Indianapolis; Mary (Sister Olevia), in a convent at Louisville, Ky.; Margaret (Sister Larevilla), a teacher in Maryland; Magdalena, Carrie, Kate and Anna, at home; George, studying for the priesthood; Theresa, Genevieve and John A., also at home. The mother of this family died in the faith of the Catholic church August 9, 1886, at the age of forty-eight years, and was a woman of many christian virtues and ladylike accomplishments. Mr. Smith is a leading member of St. Mary's church, in which he has served as trustee; in politics he is a democrat and has done good service as a member of the city council. As a landlord he is genial, hospitable and obliging, and as a gentleman is respected by all who know him.

JOSEPH J. SOETE, bookkeeper and accountant, was born in Vincennes, Ind., February 15, 1861, a son of Henry and Mary (Drexelins) Soete, natives of Germany, who were married in Cincinnati, Ohio, in the fall of 1859, Henry Soete being at that time a widower.

Henry Soete was by trade a shoemaker, and was among the earliest German settlers in Vincennes. In his later years he opened a shoe store in this city, where his death took place in 1877. His widow has her residence on Seventh street and is living in comfortable circumstances. Their family consisted of ten children, of whom Joseph J. is the eldest, and all were reared to be good Catholics.

Joseph J. Soete was educated in St. John's German Catholic school and in the public schools of Vincennes, and the first twelve years of his business life were passed in a general store. In the fall of 1889, when the John Ebner Ice company was established under its present management, Mr. Soete became its bookkeeper and accountant, which position he has filled in a most satisfactory manner until the present time.

Mr. Soete was united in marriage, September 24, 1889, to



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Miss Mary Kapps, daughter of Joseph and Mary (Deibold) Kapps, and this union has been blessed with two children—Edwin Joseph, now seven years of age, and Helen Teresa, now three years old. Mrs. Soete was educated in St. John's German Catholic school, and the family worship at St. John's German Catholic church. Mr. Soete is a member of branch No. 533, Catholic Knights of America, of which branch he is a trustee, and of which he has served as secretary; he is also a member of St. John's Benevolent society, in which he has filled nearly every official station. In politics he is a democrat and all the Soete family entertain the same political views. Mr. Soete has three sisters and one brother who reside in Vincennes, and these are Mary, wife of Henry Bloom; Lizzie, widow of George J. Reinbold; Louisa, unmarried and living with her mother, and Edward, clerking for a mercantile firm. Another brother, Anton, makes his home in California on account of failing health. Mr. Soete is an accomplished accountant, is diligent in his duty, leads a moral life, and is consequently respected by all who know him.

**H**ENRY G. SOMMERS, proprietor of one of the most tastefully fitted-up drug stores in Fort Wayne, Ind., his native city, was born September 16, 1863, a son of Frederick and Jennie (Mergel) Sommers, natives of Germany. The father was a miller by trade and long worked at this calling in Allen county, having come here shortly after his marriage, and here he passed the remainder of his years, dying in 1877, his widow passing away in 1879—leaving a family of six children, and both dying in the faith of the Catholic church.

Henry G. Sommers was educated in the parochial schools of Fort Wayne, and at the age of nine years began to learn the drug business. At the age of fifteen he was employed as clerk in the drug store of his uncle, Henry G. Wagner, whom he faithfully served until 1887, when he succeeded his uncle as proprietor, and now carries a stock valued at \$5,000.

The marriage of Mr. Sommers took place in Fort Wayne January 21, 1890, to Miss Maggie C. Maguire, daughter of Owen

Maguire, a native of Ireland, and this union has been blessed with three children, viz: Fred E., born in 1891; Robert H., born in 1892, and Marie C., born in 1894. Mr. and Mrs. Sommers are devout Catholics and are never delinquent in their contributions to the support of the church. In politics Mr. Sommers is a sound democrat, and in November 1893, was elected to represent his party in the city council of Fort Wayne, and so ably did he fill the duties of the office that he was re-elected in May, 1895.

Mr. Sommers is a thorough pharmacist, is enterprising, energetic and courteous, and is deservedly popular. He owns his business place as well as his tasteful residence, and he and wife mingle in the best societary circles of Fort Wayne, and are greatly esteemed wherever known. Mr. Sommers resides at No. 22 East Washington street, where he built and owns an excellent home.

**T**HEO. SONDERMANN, doing a grocery and book business at Jasper, Dubois county, Ind., is a son of Servia and Mary T. (Kranz) Sonderrmann, who both died in Germany.

The subject of this sketch was born March 12, 1820, and came to the United States July 11, 1845, landing in New York. He afterward went to Detroit, Mich., and remained six weeks; then went to Pennsylvania; then went back to Germany for a few months, and returned with his wife to America in 1847, located in Pittsburg, Pa., and engaged in the grocery business until December 1, 1852. He then came to Dubois county, Ind., and engaged in farming until 1859. He was here elected county treasurer, and re-elected for the second term, and was elected county auditor the same year his office as treasurer expired, in 1863. He then moved to Mt. Vernon, Posey county, in April, 1869, and spent a few months with his son, who was the first priest of Mt. Vernon. Father Florentine. He next went to Evansville and engaged in the foundry business in August, 1869, remained one year, and then returned to Mt. Vernon, and engaged in the hardware and furniture business, which he carried on until 1875, when he came back to Jasper, where he has since conducted his present business.

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Mr. Sondermann was married January 30, 1844, to Miss Mary C. Theile, of Germany, a daughter of Francis Theile, and has three living children: John F., now a priest at Lawrenceburg; Sister Mary Albertine, a Sister of Providence, and August J. Mr. Sondermann and his wife are both devout members of the Catholic church, and have always been active in assisting the church in its good work. Mr. Sondermann is one of the foremost business men of Jasper, as well as one of the oldest and most respected, and his voice has ever been potent in the councils of the democratic party.

**J**OSEPH S. C. SOWAR, a representative business man of Brazil, Clay county, and a worthy member of the church of the Annunciation congregation, was born in Orange county, Ind., July 21, 1861, came to Brazil December 1, 1875, and entered upon business life in the spring of the following year.

Joseph H. W. Sowar, father of Joseph S. C., was born in the Buckeye state and there married Miss Elizabeth Wehrle, both being of German descent. Some little time after marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Sowar removed to Orleans, Ind., and later to Mitchell, where Mr. Sowar followed his trade of marblecutter until his death, which took place in 1873. In 1875, his widow, with her six children, came to Brazil, and of these six, five still survive, viz: Joseph S. C., whose name opens this memoir; Edward J., a resident of Norwood, La., and engaged in cotton and sugar planting; Francis, a boot and shoe merchant of Brazil, Ind.; Ethellie, wife of Frank Smith, of Brazil, and Kate, now Mrs. Frank Lutkemeier of Frankfort, Ky. The deceased child, Alwin W., was called away in 1881.

Joseph S. C. Sowar, who engaged in business on his own account as a grocery merchant, in 1881, met with success, and married, August 1, 1883, Miss Davis, then a resident of Brazil, but a native of Illinois and a daughter of David W. Davis, who settled in Brazil in 1875. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Sowar has been blessed with five children, viz: Gertrude, Blanche, Katie, Charles and David, who are all being reared in the true faith. The firm of Shannon,

Fast & Sowar is a very important factor in the mercantile progress of Brazil, and Mr. Sowar is himself one of the most popular, affable and genial business men of the city, and honored by all citizens as a gentleman of strict morality and integrity.

**AUGUST SONDERMANN**, a popular merchant of Jasper, Dubois county, Ind., is a son of Anton and Josepha Sondermann, was born March 19, 1836, in the province of Westphalia, Prussia, and came to the United States in 1854, locating in Dubois county. He was engaged as a clerk in Ferdinand, was married to Miss Maria Sermersheim, and was blessed with two children, viz: Albert M. and Josephine. Josephine is now Sister Augusta, of the Sisters of Providence. She took the veil about 1887, and located in Hammond, Ind., taught music and took her perpetual veil August 1, 1898. Albert is a member of St. Joseph's church. Mrs. Sondermann died August 24, 1873, and Mr. Sondermann has since led a life of mourning for his departed helpmate. He has, however, been prosperous in his business and is greatly respected for his moral life and strict business integrity.

Mr. Sondermann is a democrat in his politics, and cast his first presidential vote for Gen. George B. McClellan. He has been connected with the public schools of his town, as an official, and has well performed his duties.

**JOSEPH F. SPIEGEL**, president of the Batesville Coffin Manufacturing company, Ripley county, Ind., is one of four children born to Joseph and Gertrude Spiegel, natives of Germany. The father was a Catholic school-teacher, was born May 13, 1813, and died June 4, 1847. The mother was born March 17, 1813, and died on the 10th of April, 1882.

Joseph F. Spiegel was born August 10, 1844, in Germany. He attended the common schools, served in the Prussian army from 1867 to 1871, was in prison for six days, and came to the

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United States in the latter year. He worked at his trade of cabinetmaker in Batesville until 1881, and then went to Illinois and opened up a furniture and lumber business, which he engaged in for three years. He then returned to Batesville and started the coffin manufacturing company with a capital of \$20,000, and was made president in 1886, succeeding William Bennett. The company has a warehouse and stock-room that cost \$9,000, and is doing a profitable trade.

Mr. Spiegel was married to Miss Flora Sippel, a daughter of Joseph and Katie (Echard) Sippel, and is blessed with four children, viz: Kregor J., Rosie E., Mary J. and Katie Z. All are Catholics and attend the St. Louis church of Batesville. In politics Mr. Spiegel is a democrat and always has been active in his support of his party. He is very liberal in his aid to the church and he and family stand with the best people of Batesville.

LEOPOLD SPITZMESSER, proprietor of the artificial ice plant at Greensburg, Ind., was born in Baden Baden, Germany, January 12, 1854, and is a son of Nicholas and Setzilia (Burkhardt) Spitzmessers whose children were named Mary A., Dennis, Leopold, Joseph and Joanna, of whom Mary A. and Joseph are deceased. Nicholas, the father, was a stonemason by trade and died in Germany, October 14, 1877, but his widow, who came to America in 1880, is now living in Greensburg, Ind.

Leopold Spitzmesser was twenty years of age when he came to America and located in Indianapolis, Ind., where he lived two or three years, working at his trade of stonemason. In 1879 he became identified with Greensburg, and in 1881 opened a sample room, which he conducted ten years, during which he held the agency for several large breweries, and still is agent for a Newport, Ky., house. In 1895 he erected his ice plant, which is fully equipped with the most approved modern apparatus for ice production, and in the trade he has been very successful. Mr. Spitzmesser was united in marriage April 28, 1881, to Miss Caroline Leppert, daughter of Joseph and Annie Link Leppert, and this

union has been blessed with six children, viz: Nicholas B., Mary, Lena, Joseph, Leo and Anna. The family belong to St. Mary's Catholic congregation, and Mr. Spitznesser is a member of the Knights of St. John, of which society he is a past president. He is very liberal in his contributions to the support of his church and faithful in the discharge of his religious duties. In politics he is a democrat, but has never been particularly anxious for office, nevertheless he works hard for the success of his party when called upon to do so. He has accumulated quite a fortune through his own good management and industry, and holds a high position in the esteem of the people of Greensburg.

**J**OHAN A. SPITZNAGLE, a well-to-do carriage and wagon-maker, of Peru, Ind., was born in Baden, Germany, December 27, 1841, a son of John and Mary (Noll) Spitznagle, and was educated in a Catholic school until he was seventeen years of age, in the meanwhile also assisting his father on the home farm. About 1858 he came to America, landed in New York, and at once came through to Indiana, and for two years served an apprenticeship at the wagonmaker's trade in Romney. After working as a journeyman at Romney and LaFayette a few years, he opened a shop for himself in Romney, but in 1863 moved to Logansport, where he remained until 1869, when he came to Peru, and has here prospered in his business up to the present hour.

In 1867 Mr. Spitznagle married Miss Gertrude Miller, a native of Prussia, who was brought to America when six months old. To his marriage have been born the following children: Mary, wife of J. W. Volpert, whose biography is given on another page; Anna, John and Louisa, at home with their parents; Lena, deceased, and Jacob, still under the parental roof. The family are all devout Catholics, Mrs. Spitznagle being a member of St. Charles Borromeo's Rosary society. Mr. Spitznagle is a Catholic Knight of America, and is ever ready to assist his church in its work for the support of the poor and afflicted and for promoting the interests of the church in general. He has been very successful as a business

man, and is the owner of his business place and two good residence properties in Peru, and has gained all he owns through his tact, good judgment, skill and industry. He has many warm friends inside and outside church circles, and is recognized throughout the city as a man who strictly attends to his business and follows it in an honest and straightforward manner.

MRS. APOLLONIA SPRAUER, of Huntingburg, Dubois county, Ind., is the widow of the lamented Joseph Sprauer, who died April 3, 1891. Mr. Sprauer was a son of Andrew and Barbara (Binder) Sprauer. Mrs. Sprauer was born May 16, 1851, in Dubois county, and is the daughter of Adam and Magdalina (Hochgesang) Schmitt, and to her marriage with Mrs. Sprauer were born ten children, four sons and six daughters, of whom three are now deceased. Mrs. Sprauer is a devout member of St. Mary's Catholic church, and has reared her surviving children in the same holy faith. She is a large property holder in the village, and is its leading photographer. She is a lady of many estimable qualities and is greatly respected by all who know her.

OSCAR F. STEHLIN, a member of the Indianapolis fire department, at headquarters, was born in Terre Haute, Ind., April 16, 1864, a son of Martin and Caroline Stehlin, natives of Germany, who came to the United States when young and were married in the state of Indiana. To their union were born seven children, named as follows: John H., who died in Indianapolis, October 5, 1897, leaving a wife and three children; George, married and living at the corner of West and North streets; Oscar F., whose name opens this paragraph; Augustus, a wood worker by trade, and employed in this city; William, a pressman in Burford's bookbinding establishment; Martin died in early life; Carrie is the wife of William Essick. The father of this family died in Indianapolis at the early age of thirty-five years, a devoted Catho-

lic; his widow, who is a Lutheran in religious belief, resides in this city, Oscar F. and William, her sons, being inmates of her home.

Oscar F. Stehlin was educated in the city schools of Indianapolis and in the German-English free school. He then learned the iron-molder's trade, which he followed about twelve years—seven years with Dean Bros., and five years with Sinker & Davis and others. In 1893 he became a member of the fire department, being for the first two years a member of Chemical company No. 3, from which he was transferred to Engine company No. 1, and from that to headquarters in 1896.

Mr. Stehlin was united in wedlock, in 1888, to Miss Mary Connors, a native of this city, and a daughter of John Connors, deceased. After three years of wedded bliss Mrs. Stehlin passed from earth in the faith of the Catholic church, November 7, 1891, leaving no children. Mr. Stehlin was himself, through her benignant influence, converted to the true faith prior to his marriage, and is still a devout Catholic. His brother, George, is also a convert to Catholicity. Mr. Stehlin is a member of St. Bridget's congregation, under the pastorate of Rev. Father Curran. He is also a Knight of Father Mathew, is a democrat in politics, and is a young man of excellent moral character, who enjoys the respect of all who know him.

REV. GEORGE S. STEIGERWALD, chaplain of St. Vincent's orphan asylum, and rector of St. Vincent de Paul parish, Ind., is a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, was born October 11, 1857, and is a son of Michael and Dorothea (Reinhardt) Steigerwald, who were natives of Franco-Bavaria, but when young came to America early in the 'forties, and were married in Cincinnati. Of the children born to these parents, the only brother of subject was educated in Cincinnati, became a professor of St. Francis college of that city, and died in 1888; the only sister of subject, Magdalena Wuest, is also deceased; the father, while on a visit to Europe for the benefit of his health, died there in 1861, and the mother, who has made fourteen trips across the Atlantic ocean, is now living in the old country.



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Father George S. Steigerwald was educated in the classics in Mount St. Mary's college, Cincinnati; he then went to Wuerzburg, Bavaria, and in the university of that city studied philosophy, theology and the natural sciences, and during the years of his study there occasionally found time for travel, which was extended through the Orient, including the Holy Land. July 30, 1882, he was ordained with Holy orders, and immediately thereafter returned to America, and was assigned to St. John's cathedral, at Indianapolis, Ind., where he remained one year. He was then appointed to the rectorship of St. Mary's church at Greensburg, Ind., where he officiated for fourteen years, performing most arduous duties the while, so that, in March, 1897, he felt called upon to resign, on account of his overtaxed physical condition, and was then appointed to his present rectorship.

The parish of St. Vincent de Paul is composed of about fifty families, who worship at the chapel of the orphans' asylum. The members of the congregation are chiefly French, or of French descent, some of the latter representing the pioneer families of this historic stronghold of Catholicity. Father Steigerwald, although he has never enjoyed perfect physical health, and being afflicted with a throat trouble that is very annoying to a public speaker, and more particularly to a clergyman, is nevertheless a true soldier of the cross, a devout son of the church, a profound scholar and theologian, whose mentality never tires in the performance of church work and in the saving of souls. He is a good man and a good priest, and good follows his footsteps wherever he treads.

CHARLES STEIGENWALD, grocer of Aurora, a son of John and Bertha (Billman) Steigenwald, was born in Dearborn county, Ind., June 29, 1864, attended common schools and at the age of twenty years began learning the furniture trade as finisher, and worked for the Aurora Furniture company for twelve years. He went into his present business in 1890, and now carries a good stock. He was married September 2, 1886, to Miss Anna Lansing, a daughter of Benjamin Lansing, of Aurora, and born March 5,

1864. Their children are Katie, Otto, Eugene, Marie and Lawrence, all the family being members of St. Mary's church of Aurora.

Mr. Steigenwald is a member of the Knights of St. George, and is highly respected by the citizens of Aurora for his strict integrity.

MICHAEL L. STEINHART, the affable proprietor of the popular hardware store at Ireland, Dubois county, Ind., is a native of this county, was born May 24, 1861, and is the fourth in the family of six sons and three daughters born to Michael and Mary A. (Miller) Steinhart—all the children having been confirmed by Very Rev. Bishop de St. Palais. Michael Steinhart, father of subject, was born in Baden, Germany, and was a professional musician, although his business vocation was that of a fisherman. He was well educated in Germany, and in 1840 came to America, settling in Dubois county, Ind., in 1846; here he passed the remainder of his life and died August 4, 1888, a devout Catholic; his remains now lie interred in St. Joseph's cemetery, beside those of his wife, who died May 3, 1898, also a faithful and devoted member of the Catholic church.

Michael L. Steinhart was reared in Dubois county and educated in the public schools. In March, 1883, he commenced at his trade for himself as wagonmaker in Ireland, and later opened a first-class hardware store, in which he carries a full line of shelf and heavy goods, stoves, ranges, etc., and handles agricultural implements, being the local agent for the McCormick harvester; he likewise handles standard carriages, buggies and other vehicles, beside which, being a practical mechanic, he manufactures all classes of wagons and buggies to order.

May 12, 1885, Mr. Steinhart wedded Miss Margaret Schwank, a native of Dubois county, Rev. Father Fidelis officiating, and this union has been blessed with two children—Fredrich M. and Urban Theodore. Fredrich M. was born February 15, 1886, and Urban Theodore was born July 30, 1889. Mrs. Steinhart was born April 1, 1865, is a daughter of Philip and Katharine (Birk)

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Schwank, and was confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais at the Sisters' school at Jasper.

Politically, Mr. Steinhart is a democrat, and cast his first presidential vote for Grover Cleveland. He and wife are members of St. Mary's church at Ireland, and have always been active in advancing the cause of Catholicity and liberal in their contributions to the support of the church, and socially they enjoy the esteem of all the residents of the village and surrounding country.

REV. CLEMENT STEINKAMP, of Batesville, Ripley county, Ind., is a son of Henry and Catherine (Taben) Steinkamp, of Germany, both deceased. Rev. Clement was born March 22, 1842, in Germany, and came to the United States March 26, 1865, landing at New York. He attended the college of Meppen, Hanover, entered the order April 5, 1866, was ordained of June 6, 1869, at the cathedral of Louisville, and said his first mass at Louisville. He was first located at Oldenburg on July 25, 1873. He then went to Detroit, Mich., and remained for six years; then to Hamilton, Ohio, for five years; then two years in Reynolds, Ind.; then to Hamburg, Ind.; then three years in Louisville and six years in Bloomington, Ills. He came to Batesville, Ind., his present location, on November 7, 1895, where he has a school of two Sisters, and a church membership of 162 families. He is esteemed for his piety and unselfish devotion to the spiritual and temporal welfare of his congregation, and his personal merits and unassuming deportment have won for him the esteem of the residents of Batesville, irrespective of church affiliation.

REV. CHARLES V. STETTER, pastor of Sts. Peter and Paul's church, Lake county, Ind., was born in Milwaukee, Wis., February 22, 1859, a son of Charles Joseph and Mary Sabine (Stadtmueller) Stetter, natives, respectively, of Baden and Wurtemberg, Germany. Young Charles V. was primarily educated in a paro-

chial school in St. Nazianz, Wis., and received his classical education at the Canisius college in Buffalo, N. Y., at St. Nazianz, Wis., and at St. Lawrence's college, in Calvary, Wis. He then attended St. Francis seminary in Milwaukee, where he studied philosophy and theology, and finished the latter study in Rome, where he was ordained priest March 24, 1883, by Cardinal Monaco LaValletta. The degree of D. D. was conferred on Rev. Stetter at the college of the Propaganda, and that of Ph. D. by the academy of St. Thomas Aquinas in the Eternal city. On returning to America, Father Stetter was assigned to the pastorate of Dyer, where he labored faithfully for five years, and was then placed in charge of his present pastorate at Lottaville.

**W**ILLIAM A. STEVENS, postmaster of Columbus, Bartholomew county, Ind., is a native of this city, and was born in June, 1864, of a long line of English ancestry.

William Stevens, great-grandfather of subject, was the founder of the family in America, and on coming from England settled in Hamilton, Ohio, where he married Nancy Somerington. He was a distiller and secured an ample competency. In politics he was a whig, and he and wife passed the remainder of their lives in Hamilton, dying in the faith of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Frank Stevens, father of William A. Stevens, was born in Hamilton, Ohio, June 3, 1842, was educated in his native city, and at maturity settled in Columbus, Ind., and for several years was engaged in the dry-goods trade and then embarked in the agricultural implement business, but is now retired, after carrying on the latter traffic for eighteen years. His wife bore the maiden name of Catherine Brown, and was born in Bartholomew county, Ind., in June, 1844.

William A. Stevens is a graduate of the Columbus high school, and was always associated with his father in business until the retirement of the latter. He married Miss Lu Belle Wilson, and both are members of St. Bartholomai church of Columbus. Mr. Stevens is also a prominent member of the Catholic Knights of

America. In politics he is a stanch republican, and in September, 1897, in recognition of his own merits and his unselfish devotion to his party, he was appointed, under the McKinley administration, postmaster of Columbus. He is a recognized leader in his party, especially with the younger element, and is a genial and accommodating gentleman.

**A**NTHONY STOLL, proprietor of a popular meat market at Brookville, Ind., was born in Dearborn county, this state, February 5, 1857, a son of Anthony and Katherine (Bussalt) Stoll.

Anthony Stoll, the father, was born in Germany, in 1820, received a common-school education, and was then apprenticed to the carpenter's trade, which he followed in his native land until 1841, when, at the age of twenty-one years, he came to America and located in New Alsace, Dearborn county, Ind., engaged in carpenter work and also followed farming. In 1842 he married, at St. Peter's, in Franklin county, Miss Katherine Bussalt, to which union eleven children have been born, of whom five died in infancy, the six survivors being Elizabeth, wife of Peter Geiger, of St. Mark's, Kans.; Margaret, wife of John Stallman, of Wisconsin; Frances, wife of Jacob Sax, of Cincinnati, Ohio; Katherine, wife of Joseph Sketler, of Kentucky; Andrew, of Dearborn county, Ind., and Anthony, our subject. The mother of this family was called away in 1862, and the father in 1878, both in the Catholic faith, and their remains rest side by side in the cemetery of St. Peter, Franklin county.

Anthony Stoll, subject of this sketch, attended school until twelve years old and then learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed eight years in St. Peter's, Lawrenceville and Brookville, and then, in 1883, opened his present meat market, which he has most prosperously conducted up to date. June 17, 1885, he was united in the bonds of matrimony, by Rev. Father Fleischmann, at St. Michael's church, Brookville, with Miss Elizabeth Brockley, and this union has been blessed with six children, viz: Albert, Katie, Edward, Hildergar, Raymond and Agnes, all still under the parental roof. Mr. and Mrs. Stoll are faithful members of St.

Michael's church, of which Mr. Stoll was elected a trustee in January, 1897. He is also a member of St. Joseph's and St. Peter's societies, and Mrs. Stoll is a member of St. Mary's Ladies' society. The family stand well in the esteem of the residents of Brookville, and the parents are very generous in their contributions to the support of the church and in the promotion of its good work on all occasions.

**J**OHN AUGUSTUS STOECKLEY, D. D. S., a rising and favorite young dentist, of South Bend, Ind., was born in Monroeville, Ohio, May 20, 1870, a son of Anthony and Theressa Stoeckley, of German descent.

Dr. J. A. Stoeckley was educated in the parochial and high schools of Monroeville, Ohio, attending until seventeen years of age. He then became a clerk in a drug store in his native town, but a few months later went to Cleveland, where he was engaged in the same vocation for a few years. In 1889 he came to South Bend, Ind., and until 1893 was employed as prescription clerk in the drug store of E. R. Vanderhoof, when he went to Chicago, Ill., where he took a three years' course in the Chicago College of Dental Surgery, from which he graduated in 1896. Like a wise young man, which he is, he then returned to South Bend, where he was well and favorably known, engaged a comfortable office over Skerritt's music store, at No. 111 West Washington street, fitted and furnished it attractively, and entered upon the practice of his chosen profession. By close application to the details of his art and by keeping well abreast of all advancements therein, he has already established a remunerative business, which is daily augmenting in volume. He enjoys the confidence and esteem of a large circle of acquaintances in South Bend and at Notre Dame and St. Mary's colleges, and his now universally acknowledged skill draws to him a constantly lengthening chain of new friends. The doctor is a devout Catholic, is a member of St. Patrick's congregation, and is never behindhand when called upon to aid in its good work.

MRS. CAROLINA STOLL, wife of Leonard Stoll, butcher of Aurora, Dearborn county, Ind., is a daughter of Andrew and Bernardina, of Germany, who came to the United States in 1848. She was married to Mr. Stoll at the house of a Protestant minister in Kentucky, November 3, 1853, and came to Aurora, Ind., in 1880. To Mr. and Mrs. Stoll have been born eighteen children, of whom ten are still living, viz: Catherine, now Mrs. P. Funk; Lewis; August; Josephine, now Mrs. H. Pelgen; Florentine, now Mrs. J. Maffey; Carolina, now Mrs. R. Dean; Marguerite, now Mrs. H. Siemantel; Anna, William, and Bernardina, the latter now Mrs. Doerr.

Mr. Stoll himself is not a Catholic, but has had all his children reared in his wife's belief. He is one of the very few men who are possessed of views so broad and liberal, and who are disposed to look upon Christianity as a redeeming faith, bear it what sectarian name it may. The consequence is that his domestic felicity has never been marred by religious dissensions, and the wife and children are happy in the enjoyment of the consolations of the Catholic faith.

DANIEL SULLIVAN, who resides at No. 105 South Pine street, Indianapolis, and who is a well-known Catholic citizen, has been a resident of this city since 1865. He was born near the birthplace of that famous patriot, Daniel O'Connell, in county Kerry, Ireland, on St. Bridget's day, February 1, 1822. For many generations his ancestors were known as worthy Catholic citizens, and were highly respected by their neighbors and friends. The parents of the subject were Timothy and Honora (Moran) Sullivan, and Daniel was the eldest of six children born to them, viz: Daniel; John, who died in Ireland in 1895; Michael, who came to the United States in 1866, and now resides in Indianapolis; Mary, wife of John Donnally, of Ross county, Ohio; Margaret, who married Daniel McCarthy, and died in Ross county, Ohio, many years ago, leaving a family, and Honora, who was married to Daniel Garin and died in Indianapolis.

Daniel Sullivan landed in Boston, Mass., on November 29,

1849, Thanksgiving day, which day he well remembers. After remaining in Massachusetts three years, engaged in farm work and in railroading, he went to Rockingham county, Va., now West Virginia, and remained there two years, at the end of which time he went to Chillicothe, Ross county, Ohio, where he lived until March 1, 1865, when he finally settled in Indianapolis, where he has since resided. He was married in the little brick church in St. John's parish, December 30, 1865, to Miss Ellen Bowler, who, like himself, was born in county Kerry, Ireland, and also in the same parish. Her father was Bartholomew Bowler, and her mother before her marriage, was Mary Gallivan, and when she came to the United States she was quite a young woman.

Mr. Sullivan has long been well known to many of the best citizens of Indianapolis, has always been industrious, for many years having been engaged on the various railways that center in Indianapolis, being for a long time foreman over a gang of track layers and repairers. For some years he has been practically a retired man, living at leisure on what he has accumulated and saved up for his old age. Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan have been blessed with three sons, all of whom, however, have died, so that they are now childless. The eldest son, John Patrick, died when a little less than six years of age; Michael died in his third year, and Daniel died when he was about one year old. Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan were formerly members of St. Patrick's church, but since the organization of the parish of the Holy Cross they have been members of this parish, of which Mr. Sullivan is perhaps the oldest member. He is well known to many of the citizens of Indianapolis as a consistent Catholic and an honest man.

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**E**DWARD SUERMANN, deceased, decorator and later saloon-keeper, of Aurora, was born in Germany in 1834, and died March 4, 1893, in Aurora, leaving a wife and ten little children. Mrs. Suermann is a daughter of Michael and Barbara (Schidel-Sirber, natives of Germany. She was first married to Michael Kimmel, who died July 28, 1876, leaving her with three children—Maggie, Frank and Anna. By her marriage with Mr. Suermann



she has six children, viz: Tillie, Willie, Charles, Carrie, John and Frederick, who, with a stepson, Edward G., constitute the ten children whom she was left to care for in her second widowhood. Mrs. Suermann sold out her saloon immediately after her husband died, and is now living in quiet retirement. She and family are devout Catholics and enjoy the full esteem of all their neighbors.

**F**RANCIS J. A. SULLIVAN, stenographer, telegraph operator, etc., for the National Malleable Castings company at Indianapolis, is a son of Joseph A. and Margaret E. (Simkins) Sullivan, and was born in Plainfield, Union county, N. J., July 28, 1870.

Joseph A. Sullivan and his wife were both born in New York city, and were there reared and educated. Joseph A. was a book-keeper by profession and followed that occupation the greater part of his life, and in this capacity was employed in New York as well as other places. He served, during the Civil war, in the One Hundred and Sixty-fifth (zouave) New York volunteer infantry, after which he located in Plainfield, N. J., but about twenty-five years ago changed the family residence to New York state, locating on Staten Island, although his present situation in business is being filled out at Olean, Cattaraugus county. He is an active member of the Catholic Benevolent legion of New York, holding high official position as organizer, etc., and he is likewise active in other Catholic work. His wife was taken from him at his home on Staten Island in 1886, but he is consoled by the fact that she died a true Catholic. Five children survive her, viz: Francis J. A.; Sarah, wife of J. Marion McDonald, of Charleston, S. C.; Edmund, Joseph and Margaret, still at the paternal home. Mr. Sullivan married a second time, securing, as a protectress of his younger children, Harriet, a sister of his first wife, and to this union one son has been born—Eugene.

Francis J. A. Sullivan was educated in the public schools of Brooklyn, N. Y., and New York city, but chiefly in the parochial schools of his church, including that of the Brothers and St. Leonard's academy, and finishing in the New York city public schools.

He began his business life as an office boy in the employ of the Standard Oil company, eventually becoming its stenographer, which art he acquired by private study. In July, 1888, he came to Indianapolis, and entered the employ of the National Malleable Castings company, as a short-hand writer, and here, also, he learned telegraphy through private instruction, and is now competent to act in his present dual capacity for this manmoth concern.

Mr. Sullivan was united in the holy bonds of matrimony, September 18, 1889, at St. John's church, by Rev. Father Gavisk, with Miss Margaret E. Cullity, a native of Illinois. This union has been blessed with two children—Mary Angeline, born June 29, 1890, and Frances Eugenia, March 21, 1894. Mr. Sullivan was one of the organizers of St. Anthony's parish, in which he and family have their religious home, and of which they are numbered among the most prominent and respected members.

JAMES C. SULLIVAN, telegrapher and chief train dispatcher at Peru, Ind., for the Wabash Railroad company, was born in LaGro, Wabash county, Ind., July 24, 1861, and is a son of Thomas and Mary (Driscoll) Sullivan, the former of whom was a native of county Cork, Ireland, and the latter of Wabash county, Ind. Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan were married by Rev. Father Ryan, at LaGro, February 22, 1860, and this union resulted in the birth of nine children. Mr. Sullivan was a section hand on the railroad at LaGro, and died in December, 1870, his remains being interred in the Catholic cemetery; Mrs. Sullivan died in Wabash, Ind., in 1895, and in the Catholic cemetery of that town her body finds her last repose.

James C. Sullivan, the eldest of the nine children born to his parents, attended a Catholic school in LaGro and a public school at Wabash until sixteen years of age, and then entered Wabash railroad office at the latter place, learned telegraphy, and remained there two years. He then filled a similar position for the same company at Roanoke, one year; Wabash, one year; Attica, one year; Andrews four years, and then, in 1880, came to Peru, and

worked as operator until 1892, then for one year as dispatcher, then as chief dispatcher, which position he has creditably filled to the present time.

The marriage of Mr. Sullivan took place at LaGro, Ind., May 26, 1885, to Miss Ella Ragan, who was born in that village January 12, 1863, a daughter of Cornelius and Elizabeth (Lynch) Ragan, also natives of Indiana. Five children have been born to this union, as follows: Johannah, Ellen, an infant who died unnamed, Elizabeth and John. Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan, with their family, are members of St. Charles Borromeo church at Peru, and freely contributed of their means to its support, as well as to all works of charity. Mr. Sullivan is an obliging and pleasant gentleman, is prompt and attentive to his official duties, and has made many warm friends in Peru and all along the line.

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JOHN FRANCIS SULLIVAN, a highly respected resident of Bainbridge, Putnam county, Ind., and a mill employee since 1883, was born in Crawfordsville, Montgomery county, June 27, 1859, a son of James and Margaret (O'Connell) Sullivan.

James Sullivan was a native of county Kerry, Ireland, was born in 1826, came to America when a young man, and settled in Indiana about 1847. He was married to Miss O'Connell in Indianapolis, and at once settled in Crawfordsville, where he was engaged in railroad construction until his death, which occurred September 11, 1887. He left, to mourn his departure, a widow and seven children, the latter born and named in the following order: Daniel, of Crawfordsville; John F., Timothy, James, Martin, Mertie and Mary.

John F. Sullivan was educated in the parochial schools of Crawfordsville, and at the age of eighteen years began learning the trade of miller, which has ever since been his occupation. He was united in marriage, April 19, 1883, with Miss Mary Costello, a daughter of Thomas and Margaret Costello, who came from Ireland to America in early life, and are the parents of four children, viz: Mary (Mrs. Sullivan), Thomas, Bridget and Michael. Mr. Costello

was long engaged in railroad construction, as had been the late Mr. Sullivan, and also nearly all the young men who came from Ireland to Indiana in the early 'forties, when labor in that particular line was greatly in demand. To John F. and Mary (Costello) Sullivan have been born two children, James and Mary, who are being reared in the faith of their forefathers, both the Sullivan and Costello families having been for generations devout Catholics. Mr. Sullivan has always been an industrious and moral citizen, and is justly numbered among the respected residents of Bainbridge, with which city he has so long been identified in one of its most important industries.

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**PATRICK SULLIVAN**, a respected citizen of Indianapolis, a consistent member of St. Patrick's church and residing at No. 625 Dougherty street, was born in county Kerry, Ireland, over fifty years ago, a son of Edmund and Kate Sullivan, who were born, reared and married in Kerry county, and there died. Of their family of four sons and three daughters, Patrick is the eldest, the others being named Edward, Eugene, Michael, Kate, Johanna and Mary. Of these, Michael, Kate and Mary still live in Ireland; Edward went to California many years ago, but his exact whereabouts is unknown; Eugene is a resident of Indianapolis.

Patrick Sullivan was the first of his family to come to America and reached Indianapolis in 1874. Here he married Miss Honora Lynch, a native of county Kerry, Ireland, and daughter of James and Mary Lynch, who are the parents of seven children, viz: John, James, Dennis, Patrick, Katie, Hanora and Mary, and of this family Mrs. Sullivan and Mrs. Mary Kelley, of Chicago, Ill., were the only ones to come to America. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Sullivan has been blessed with five children, viz: Katie (deceased), Hannah, Edward, Mary and Joseph, all having been, or being, educated in the parochial of St. Patrick, of which congregation the family are faithful members and under the ministration of Very Rev. D. O'Donaghue.

Mr. Sullivan has been a hardworking, industrious and faithful laboring man all his life, and ever since coming to America has

been in the employ of the Indianapolis Gas company. This fact speaks well for his intelligence, honesty and faithfulness in the discharge of every task set before him, and the prosperity of the country has largely depended upon and been developed by just such sinew, muscle and pertinacity as his. He has been fairly successful in life, has been temperate and frugal, has earned for himself a comfortable home, and has reared his family in respectability, to enjoy, with him and wife, the esteem of their friends and neighbors.

**T**IMOTHY A. SULLIVAN, a most popular grocer, and a descendant of one of the pioneer Catholic families of South Bend, Ind., was born in this city, December 23, 1851, a son of Timothy and Catherine (Regan) Sullivan, of county Kerry, Ireland, where the father was born in 1814, and the mother in 1819.

Timothy Sullivan was a fisherman by occupation and followed his calling on Kenmare bay for many years. He was married in county Kerry, in 1841, and shortly afterward came to the United States, via Quebec, Canada, whence he passed through Detroit, Mich., to Crawfordsville, Ind., where he lived from 1846 until 1849, when he removed to Kalamazoo, Mich.; later he was employed on the Lake Shore railroad at Mishawaka, St. Joseph county, Ind., and finally settled in South Bend, where he purchased the property now known as No. 523 South Taylor street, but which was then covered with forest trees, which he cleared off after working hours, being at that time an employee in the Studebaker Bros.' wagon works, with which he remained many years. To his marriage with Miss Regan were born four children, viz: Michael and Timothy A., of South Bend, and Sylvester and Eugene, both now deceased and buried in Cedar Grove cemetery.

Timothy A. Sullivan, whose name opens this notice, was educated in the parochial schools of South Bend, and after leaving school was employed in the Studebaker wagon works until 1875, when he made a trip to San Francisco, Cal., where he remained until 1877, when he returned to South Bend and embarked in the grocery trade, which has ever since been his occupation. Novem-

ber 12, 1878, Mr. Sullivan was united in matrimony, by Rev Peter Lauth, at St. Patrick's church, with Miss Elizabeth C. Gillin, and this marriage was blessed with eight children, but Mr. Sullivan and his offspring were untimely bereaved of the beloved wife and mother, December 14, 1896, and this sad event has never ceased to be a cause of heartfelt sorrow.

As a business man, Mr. Sullivan has always been fair and straightforward in his dealings and bears an honored name in business circles, and with buyers is one of the most popular of the grocers of South Bend. He and family are true Catholics, and Mr. Sullivan freely contributes of his means to the support of the church and the advancement of the good work of St. Patrick's, to which congregation he and his children belong.

THE SUM BROTHERS, Jacob, Matthias and Desideri, the ice dealers and notion merchants of Washington, are prominent members of St. Mary's parish and active in the work of the church. They are natives of Germany, having been born in Baden in 1844, 1849, and 1850, respectively, the sons of John G. and Elizabeth (Weidle) Sum, both natives of Baden. The father was engaged in the timber business in his native country, and came to America in 1852, locating at Ferdinand, Dubois county, Ind., where he engaged in the manufacture of cigars until his death, which occurred on February 15, '1880. The mother died in Germany, in 1853. Besides the three sons, the subjects of this sketch, they were the parents of two daughters, Albertina, deceased, and Rosanna, of Daviess county, Ind. They were members of the parish of Ripoldsau, Baden, and devoted Catholics. The three brothers and two sisters came to this country in 1857, and joined their father at Ferdinand, Ind., when the sons engaged with him in the cigar factory.

Jacob Sum, the eldest brother, remained at Ferdinand until 1862, when he went to Louisville, Ky., and worked at cigarmaking for some time, then went to Cincinnati, where he remained until 1865, when he and his brothers located at Washington and opened a cigar factory, which they operated until 1880, when Jacob's

broken health compelled him to retire from active work. He was married in Washington, Ind., to Miss Mary Steuftenagel, and to them were born the following children: John, Elizabeth, Leo, Anthony, Margaret and Teressa.

Matthias Sum remained with his father at Ferdinand, Ind., until 1863, when he joined his brother Jacob at Cincinnati and came with him to Washington. He was married at this place in 1877, to Elizabeth Schmidt, a native of Nassau, Germany, and to them have been born the following children: Aloysius, Annie, Frank, George, Odilla, Othmar and Joseph.

Desideri Sum, the youngest son, remained with his father until 1865, when he joined his brothers at Washington, where the trio formed the partnership which exists to this day. Upon the failing of the elder's health in 1880, the cigar factory was disposed of and the brothers engaged in the notion business and the handling of ice, being large dealers in the latter way. Desideri was united in marriage on January 13, 1880, to Odile Koller, a native of Alsace, born in 1859. He has been a trustee of St. Mary's church and has been the leader of the choir since the foundation of the church, and is prominent in the work of the St. Joseph's Benevolent society. The brothers all reside on Main street together, in their own property. Their partnership is a very harmonious one, and they are held in high esteem in the community.

**J**AMES SWEENEY, a highly respected citizen of Indianapolis, is a native of Morris, Ripley county, Ind., and was born in 1863, a son of James Sweeney, a native of Ireland, who died in Batesville, Ripley county, in 1866; Mrs. James Sweeney, the mother of subject, is now a resident of Indianapolis.

James Sweeney, the subject of this memoir, was reared to manhood in Ripley county, but was married in Chicago, Ill., August 12, 1885, to Miss Margaret Welch, daughter of Peter Welch, a resident of Shelbyville, Ind., the marriage ceremony being performed by Judge Murphy. Later, however, wishing to live in closer relation with the church, and knowing that such rela-

tion could be best secured by an ecclesiastical marriage, the ceremony was repeated by Rev. Joseph Chartrand, in Indianapolis, in November, 1892, Mr. Sweeney and wife having become residents of this city and parishioners of St. Patrick's in 1891. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Sweeney has been blessed with three children, named James P., Walter F. and Russell Thomas, and the family have their pleasant home at No. 1509 Spann avenue. Mr. Sweeney is yard-master for the Big Four railroad and he and wife are held in high esteem by their neighbors, are conscientious Catholics, and are rearing their children in the same blessed faith.

REV. B. H. BRUEGGEMANN, the efficient rector of the parish of St. John the Baptist, at Dover, Dearborn county, Ind., is a native of the province of Westphalia, Prussia, and was born March 27, 1838. Until the age of fourteen he attended the parochial schools of his native parish, at which time he came with his parents to Cincinnati, Ohio, and there entered the St. Paul's parochial school. He was engaged in manual labor for some years, first in coal mines, then learning the machinist's trade, then volunteering in the United States service during the Civil war as musician of the Twenty-sixth regiment, Kentucky volunteers. In 1867 he entered St. Meinrad's college, Spencer county, Ind., and while there pursued the classical course of study.

In 1869 Mr. Brueggemann entered St. Joseph's seminary at Bardstown, Ky., and there finished the classical course and rhetoric, and also commenced the philosophical course. In 1871 he re-entered St. Meinrad's college, and there finished his philosophical and the theological course of study, and was ordained priest by Rt. Rev. Bishop de St. Palais, September 6, 1874, at St. John's church, Indianapolis. He was amongst the first eight to be ordained. His first work after ordination was at St. John's, Clark county, Ind., beginning in September, 1874, and ending in August, 1877, during which period he succeeded in establishing harmony and confidence among the parishioners and left the parish in contentment. Whilst there, he also re-established the Franciscan







Very respectfully Yours  
B. H. Brueggemann



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST'S.



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Sisters. The next place he was sent to was his present parish, St. John the Baptist's at Dover, where he has faithfully and zealously labored twenty-one years, when he took charge of the parish, there was a Herculean task for him to perform which he has most successfully accomplished. As it is shown in the history of the parish, the bare walls of the church and roof were completed, and Father Brueggemann began the task of harmonizing the factions which existed and that of completing the church. He, being a natural mechanic himself, did a great deal of the work and superintended the workmen. He plastered the church, placed in the arches, new pews, communion railing, new pulpit and confessional; then he stopped work for a while, and then paid off \$1,500 of the debt, it being then \$4,000, and expended altogether about \$4,000 for the improvements named above.

In 1885 he erected two new side altars, at a cost of \$800, and in 1891 he took out the old windows and placed in the cathedral stained glass windows, at a cost of \$750. In 1892 he erected a new altar, partly of stone, costing \$1,100, including the statues; in 1894 he put in a new pipe-organ at a cost of \$1,000, which was manufactured by Pilger & Sons, of Louisville, Ky. His record is one which any priest may be proud of, and the condition of the parish is highly satisfactory and pleasing to pastor and congregation.

The membership of St. John the Baptist's congregation numbers sixty-six families or 355 souls. The schools are in charge of the Franciscan Sisters, two in number, with an enrolment of sixty-three pupils. The schools have a local reputation, as regards thorough instruction, second to none in Dearborn county. The value of the Catholic property of this parish is placed at \$22,000. The parish is located eight miles west of Harrison, Ohio, and fourteen miles northwest of Lawrenceburg, Ind.

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HON. MICHAEL A. SWEENEY, of Jasper, state senator for the counties of Dubois and Perry, Ind., was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, April 26, 1858, the third of the nine children (seven sons and two daughters) born to Michael Harriet (Ried) Sweeney, natives respectively of counties Cork and Sligo, Ireland. Of the

some children attended we find one still living, viz. Andrew Ed., a student in Tennessee college, 18— and St. Vincent's college, Ind. — He was formerly clerk of the supreme court of Indiana, was superintendent of Educational Work in 1886, and was formerly city Catholicity physician and prominent in the office of state physician, removal of public improvements. He is a first edition not treated, and a first president of the Indiana State Law Institute, chairman of Indianapolis. Patrick L. Sawyer is a president of Indiana Ind., and is a prominent lawyer. — The third officer of the living edition is Thomas Sawyer, and the other two officers are the laymen—Henry S. and Rufus Sawyer—who were educated under the Providence system, very successful successful teachers in Providence and now really in Indianapolis.

Thomas Sawyer, the father of the another name to the Providence school that had turned to a Catholic office, where he had been engaged in engineering and railroad building for over twenty years. The mother of the society was a wife deceased for her charity and nobility, but was killed in 1841, in 1841, in the Catholic office. She was a noble lady in the society of St. Ignace, but father Henry says, the third and youngest of Thomas Sawyer, the first and youngest.

His father, L. Sawyer says that he just then, turned to laymen, engaged in a personal matter, but through his intense religious faith, his name is prominent. His education was acquired at the Catholic schools, but at St. Vincent's college. For little part he was at brother in the common affairs of Catholic society. — He was formerly engaged in public and educational work, with the diocese, very busy was not able to resign his office, and his work was increasing, and he was, apparently, about 1841 and some years, having been elected to the Providence office in the fall of 1841. He is a member of about 1 year and his colleague, William H. Sawyer, a gentleman, attorney and member of State society. — January 11, 1841, he was present at the first year and had since finished his first, second, and third series. — Among the more important facts that in his life, and in his position: "He has the more religious progress that has been put into it." — a full to make himself



REV. DOMINIC DUEHMIG, pastor of the Assumption church, at Avilla, Noble county, Ind., was born in Ebenheid, Baden, Germany, November 9, 1842, a son of Erasmus and Mary Ann (Bechtold) Duehmig. The father, a farmer, was a native of Bavaria, and the mother of Baden, where their respective deaths occurred in 1873 and 1878. Of their twelve children, three only now survive, of whom two were prominent educators in Germany, one having taught for forty-five years and being now a pensioner.

Rev. Dominic Duehmig, the eleventh born of the above mentioned family of twelve children, attended the village schools until 1854; then began his classical studies, which he finished at Wertheim, on the Main, Baden, in July, 1862; he next studied theology at the university of Freiburg, Baden, until 1864, then for two years at the university of Louvain, Belgium, and was ordained priest August 5, 1866, at Liege, Belgium. He said his first mass at the home of his boyhood August 15, 1866, withstood a siege of the cholera at Freudenberg, Baden for a month, during which time he took the place of the pastor, who died with the cholera, and November 9, 1866, visited his relatives, then took steamer at Havre, France, December 6, arrived in New York December 22, and in Fort Wayne December 24. He said his first mass in the United States in the Fort Wayne cathedral, and the following week was sent by Bishop Luers to Huntington, where he preached his first sermon in English. He remained in Huntington two months as a supply, and February 22, 1867, came to Avilla as assistant to Rev. A. B. Oechtering. May 12, of the same year, he was installed pastor, and since then this has been the field of his prodigious labors.

During his pastorate here, he has attended the missions at Kendallville, Ligonier, Rome City, Ege and Albion, Noble county; Millersburg and Goshen, Elkhart county; Waterloo, DeKalb county; Bremen, Marshall county; Leo, Allen county, and celebrated mass occasionally in LaGrange and Steuben counties. He has been a patriarch in the holy work, having cared for parishes which are now supplied with nine resident priests. His parish at Avilla has furnished to the church three clergymen, viz: Revs. Moench, Lemper and Boccard, beside many Sisters. In 1875,







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ASSUMPTION CHURCH,  
AVILLA, IND.



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Father Duehmig wrote to Germany and induced a number of the Sisters of St. Francis, with Mother Anastasia as superior, to come to Avilla, and here the motherhouse was maintained until 1877, when it was removed to Joliet, Ill. Father Duehmig also caused the erection of the Old People's home, about one mile from the church, in 1895. This building is of brick, is 140x48 feet, and, with the adjunctive chapel, cost \$30,000. The resident chaplain is the Rev. Bernadine Abbink.

The labors of Father Duehmig, since he has had charge at Avilla, have been incessant, but always earnest, and have redounded to his own credit, the salvation of souls and the everlasting glory of God and his church, of which he is so faithful a servant.

REV. ADAM FEIGEN, the efficient rector of St. Joseph's parish, at St. Leon, Dearborn county, Ind., was born December 27, 1854, at Baden, Germany. His early training was obtained through private tuition and in the parochial schools, and also at the gymnasium in the city of Montabaur, in the province of Nassau, where he took a classical course of four years, ending 1873.

At this time, at the age of seventeen years, Mr. Feigen came to America and entered the well-known Mount St. Mary's seminary at Cincinnati, Ohio, and there finished his classical and philosophical courses of study in 1877, and then entered St. Meinrad's college, Spencer county, Ind., in September, 1877; and was there until December 9, 1879, when he completed the theological course, was ordained priest December 22, 1879, by Right Rev. Bishop Chatard, and his first work was at Greensburg and St. Paul, Ind., as assistant or substitute, inasmuch as Rev. Kessing, the pastor in charge, was sick and unable to perform the functions of his holy office. He was there a short time only and was then transferred to St. Maurice parish, at Napoleon, and St. John the Baptist's at Osgood, which was a mission of Napoleon. He took charge of this work February 22, 1880, and remained until his appointment to St. Joseph's at St. Leon, having filled an administration of sixteen years and eight months.

During his stay in these parishes Father Feigen did a wonderful work. He found twenty-five families at St. John's, paid \$400 debt there, and purchased two acres of ground for a cemetery. In Napoleon he found almost \$5,000 indebtedness, and paid the entire amount, and, beside paying off the debt, he purchased a new pipe-organ, new altars, new pulpit and new bell, had the church frescoed and the church roofed twice. There were fifty families in this parish, and the schools were under the direction of the Franciscan Sisters, with an enrolment of fifty pupils. He left the parish with a credit of \$2,500, after all debts were paid. November 1, 1896, he came to St. Joseph's parish, at St. Leon, and found 104 families or 400 souls, and he had the church consecrated September 8, 1897, by Bishop Chatard, there not being a dollar of debt against the parish. He placed in a new furnace and a new vestry, improved the main altar and paid \$1,000 for the frescoing of the church. In 1898 he had the school-houses and premises put in excellent repair at a cost of \$325. Since he took charge of the parish of St. Joseph, he has expended \$3,150 in improvements. The congregation is composed of a thrifty and industrious class of Germans, and the parish is in a healthy state. The fair cost value of the parish property is placed at \$20,000.

**JOHN J. CAMPBELL**, proprietor of Campbell's steam laundry at Logansport, Ind., the oldest in the city, was born in Pittsburg, Pa., May 26, 1863, a son of Michael and Margaret (Mulherin) Campbell.

Michael Campbell, the father, is a native of the west of Ireland, and came to the United States at about the age of twenty-one years, and of two brothers and a sister who came with him Patrick and James passed away in Pittsburg, and the sister, who became Mrs. Cook, died in St. Louis, Mo. Michael Campbell first located in Pittsburg, was there married, and in 1863 removed to Columbiana county, Ohio, where he bought a large tract of land, which he devoted chiefly to fruit growing, and there he still resides, although he has had the misfortune to lose his wife. Of their ten

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children, two died young: Charles A. died at the age of twenty-one years, and Theresa, unmarried, also died when twenty-one years old. The six survivors are Margaret, James E., John J., Mary, Francis and Estella.

John J. Campbell was reared on the home farm in Columbiana county, Ohio, until about nineteen years of age, receiving his education in the common and parochial schools. For five years after leaving the homestead, he and his brother, James E., in partnership traveled throughout the country as dealers in nursery stock. In 1887, John J. went to Chicago, Ill., and secured employment in a laundry, for the purpose of learning the business, and in July of the same year the two brothers came to Logansport and established the first steam laundry in the city, and, although they had several imitators who have come and gone, Mr. Campbell still operates the oldest steam laundry in Logansport, although for a very brief period, it on one occasion changed hands. But it had been a success from the start, and its business increased constantly until 1896, when Campbell Bros. sold the plant and John J. went to Columbus, where he conducted business from September until March following, when he returned to Logansport and re-purchased the plant, of which he is now sole proprietor. This laundry is one of the best equipped in the state, and, in addition to its immense city patronage, it does work for some forty towns outside, gives employment to thirty people, and is probably the largest shipper of landried goods in the state.

In 1896 Campbell Bros. also purchased the steam laundry at Chattanooga, Tenn., which was likewise an extensive plant, and this they conducted about one year, when the failing health of James E. Campbell caused the firm to sell, since when James E. has not been engaged in any active business.

John J. Campbell was united in marriage October 11, 1892, by Very Rev. M. E. Campion, of St. Vincent de Paul church, to Miss Jennie M. Gorman, a native of Logansport, and this union has been blessed with two children, viz: Naoma, born in July, 1895, and Charles Otis, born in 1897. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell are members of St. Vincent de Paul congregation, and Mr. Campbell is a member of the Catholic Knights of America, and both are faithful

in their religious duties and liberal in their donations to the support of the church. In 1894 Mr. Campbell erected his handsome residence at No. 2026 Broadway, and this is, the abode of true domestic happiness. Mr. Campbell is very affable and is recognized as one of the best business men in Logansport.

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**M**ICHAEL GARRIGAN, now living in retirement at No. 308 North Street, Logansport, Ind., is a native of Westmoreland county, Pa.; was born August 17, 1825, and is a son of John and Cecilia (Devers) Garrigan, natives of Ireland.

Michael Garrigan was reared a farmer's lad and received his education in the common schools of his native county. At the age of eighteen years he was apprenticed to blacksmithing, served two and one-half years, and, besides being thoroughly taught the trade, was compensated with \$50 in cash. After finishing his apprenticeship, he worked in Pennsylvania as a journeyman something more than two years, and then came to Indiana, reaching Logansport July 2, 1851, and here, for two years, continued to follow his trade as a journeyman. He had been temperate, industrious and frugal, and at the end of the two years mentioned was able to begin business on his own account, in which he prospered, and, indeed, acquired a competency, on which he retired after forty-four years of labor.

In politics a democrat, and quite popular with his party, Mr. Garrigan, in 1880, was elected trustee of Eel township, and so faithfully and satisfactorily did he perform the duties of this position, that he was re-elected in 1882, but, after filling out his second term, withdrew from politics, and has since lived in comfort and well-earned enjoyment of the fruits of his early industry.

The marriage of Mr. Garrigan took place in Logansport, August 2, 1852, his bride being Miss Catherine Pierce, daughter of Thomas and Johanna (Cassidy) Pierce, natives of Ireland, but who came to America in childhood. This marriage has been blessed with seven children, who all lived to reach the years of maturity, and were named as follows: Mary J., Genevieve,



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Thomas A. (deceased) and Catherine I.; Cecelia, John E. and Peter died young.

Mr. and Mrs. Garrigan are among the most respected Catholic residents of Logansport, have been very liberal in the support of St. Vincent de Paul church, and enjoy to a large degree the esteem of their co-religionists, as well as that of many outside the pale of Catholicism.

**B**ERNARD A. KROEGER, of the well known funeral directing firm of Kroeger & Strain, at No. 613 Broadway, Logansport, Ind., is a son of Anthony and Elizabeth (Hochherz) Kroeger, also a nephew of Rev. B. Kroeger, pastor of St. Bridget's church, Logansport, and a brother of Rev. Anthony J. Kroeger, pastor of St. John's church at Tipton, Ind.

Bernard A. Kroeger was born in Cloppenberg, Germany, May 31, 1856, received excellent school advantages in his youthful days and continued his studies until seventeen years of age, and then became an assistant in the post-office and telegraph service, serving in several cities in his native land as tutor or instructor of other employees in their duties. In 1878 Mr. Kroeger came to the United States and arrived in Logansport August 1. He attended St. Francis school one year at Milwaukee, acquiring a good knowledge of the English language, and then became bookkeeper for W. T. S. Manley & Son and also for Manley & Smith, of Logansport, serving until 1882, when he became associated with R. W. Weaver, and, under the firm style of Weaver & Kroeger, succeeded to the undertaking business of Manly & Son. In 1884 the firm name was changed to that of Kroeger & Strain, the junior partner being Rodney Strain, and this firm now conducts one of the most finely appointed establishments in its line in the city of Logansport.

The marriage of Mr. Kroeger took place in 1887 to Miss Fronie Hoffman, a native of Logansport and a daughter of George and Mary (Stoltz) Hoffman, and this was the first marriage ceremony performed in the new St. Joseph's church by Rev. H. Koehne, of whom full mention will be found on another page. This marriage has been blessed with six children, born in the following order:

Bernard, Florence, Marie, Edith, George and Francis. Mr. Kroeger resides in his own comfortable home at No. 407 West Broadway, and he and family are liberal supporters of St. Bridget's church, of which they are devoted members, Mr. Kroeger being beside an active member of the Catholic Benevolent legion.

FATHER GEORGE J. LOESCH, at St. Philip's, Posey county, Ind., is a son of George and Veronica (Schmitt) Loesch, and was born at Nauvoo, Ill., April 18, 1857. He graduated at St. Meinrad's college, Spencer county, Ind.

At the age of thirteen years, George J. entered a furniture store at Evansville, Ind., and did general work for five years. He then began to study for the church, was ordained May 30, 1885, and was appointed assistant priest to Holy Trinity church, under Father Duddenhausen, Evansville, Ind. After the death of Rev. Father Duddenhausen, which occurred October 27, 1886, he had charge of Holy Trinity until the appointment of Rev. H. J. Diestel, December 1, 1886. He was assistant priest under Father Diestel until November, 1887, when he was transferred to Rockport, Ind., and Cedar Grove, Ind. On August 7, 1888, he was appointed to take charge of St. Philip's congregation, then numbering about ninety-three families. At present St. Philip's has 120 families. Three Sisters of St. Benedict were given charge of the parish school in 1896, and ninety-two children are now enrolled and are attending. Father Loesch at once set to work after his arrival and began improvements. St. Philip's is in a flourishing condition, with an indebtedness at present of about \$500, which will be liquidated at an early date. The addition of two new sacristies has been made and the church handsomely frescoed and painted; two new side altars have been added, and a slate roof put on the church and parsonage; almost the entire furnishing of vestments and regalia has been supplied by Father Loesch and a new Sisters' house erected at a cost of \$2,000, as well as other improvements too numerous to mention. The net cost of improvements alone amounts to over \$8,000.

The societies connected with St. Philip's are the Men's society, St. Mary's Ladies', St. Aloysius Young Men's, St. Rose Young Ladies', Poor Souls, Holy Childhood of Jesus, Holy Family and Catholic Knights of America.

**PATRICK F. McHALE**, deceased, was at one time a most prominent business man of Logansport and a member of the city council. He was born in county Mayo, Ireland, November 15, 1844, and was a member of a family of six children, of whom three came to America, viz: Patrick F., Martin and Ann. Of these, Martin settled in Logansport and was engaged in the wholesale grocery business until his death; Ann was the wife of William Dolan, of the same city, and of Patrick F. further mention will shortly be made. The names of the three who remained in Ireland were Richard, Henry and Mary, and all the family were reared in the faith of the Catholic church.

Patrick F. McHale came with his sister, Ann, to the United States in 1861, and at once joined his brother, Martin, who had preceded him to Logansport, and with whom he made his home and for two years attended school, after which he was employed by his brother as a clerk and later a while as bookkeeper for his brother-in-law. In May, 1871, he visited his old home in Ireland, and in July returned to Logansport and engaged in business on Fourth street. Some years later he sold out this business and for two years re-engaged in bookkeeping, but was then obliged to take back his original business place, which he conducted until his death, which occurred August 17, 1889, a devoted member of St. Joseph's church and a member of the A. O. H.

Although Mr. McHale began life in America a poor boy, he was very successful as a business man and erected the excellent residences at Nos. 308, 310 and 314 North street and the Dolan & McHale business block on Broadway. As a democrat he was exceedingly popular, and served his party as a member of the city council several years, holding this position at the time of his lamented death.

Mr. McHale was united in marriage, May 19, 1874, with Miss Mary Garrigan, who was born in Logansport, October 11, 1855, a daughter of Michael and Catherine (Pierce) Garrigan, who now make their home with Mrs. McHale. The marriage of Patrick F. and Mary McHale was blessed with five children, viz: Patrick Henry, who died at the age of six months; Genevieve, born December 25, 1876; Catherine, who died when ten years old; Nora, born December 24, 1884, and Louisa, who died at the age of three years. Mrs. McHale is now living in retirement at No. 308 North street and is one of the most respected residents of the city of Logansport.

REV. PETER JOSEPH QUINN, pastor of St. Patrick's church, LaGro, Ind., is a native of county Tyrone, Ireland, and was born in June, 1866, a son of Michael and Margaret (McGladrigan) Quinn, who were the parents of nine children, viz: Michael and Mary, still at home on the old homestead with their mother; John, who studied theology at Maynooth college for six years, was ordained priest in 1880, and is now administrator for Cardinal Logne, primate for all Ireland and located at St. Patrick's cathedral, Armagh; Alice, James and Patrick, at home; Peter J., whose name opens this paragraph; Frank, a member of the Chicago (Ill.) police force, and Catherine. The family were identified with the parish of Donaghmore, Tyrone county, where the mother still resides, the father having been called away some years since, a true and faithful Catholic.

Rev. Father Quinn received his primary education in the parochial school of his native parish, which he attended until sixteen years of age, and then passed through his classical studies at St. Patrick's college at Armagh, from which he graduated in 1887, and in 1888 came to America and entered St. Viateur college at Kankakee, Ill., where he studied one year, when he commenced his theological studies in the seminary at Cincinnati, and was ordained priest June 18, 1897, by Archbishop William Henry Elder. July 9, 1897, he was assigned as an assistant to Very Rev. John R. Dinnen, dean of St. Mary's, LaFayette, and shortly after was

appointed pastor of St. Patrick's church, LaGro, Ind.; here has since performed the onerous duties of his position with a zeal and devotion that have won for him the approval of his superior and the love and esteem of his congregation.

REV. M. J. POWER, pastor of St. Malachy's church at Brownsburg, Ind., is a native of the townland of Bally-Boy, county of Waterford, Ireland, and was born July 29, 1851. His early educational training was begun in the parochial schools of his native parish, and he entered, in 1871, St. John's college, Waterford, and spent eight years in that celebrated institution, finishing the courses in rhetoric, logic, metaphysics, and a full three years' course in theology; June 15, 1879, he was ordained priest by Right Rev. Dr. John Power, of Waterford, and was immediately assigned to the curacy of St. Decelan's church, Abbey Side, at Dungarvan, county Waterford, at which place he remained three months; then he was appointed chaplain to the Christian Brothers, Mount Zion, city of Waterford, Ireland, from which place he became an adopted subject of the most Rev. Dr. Chatard, the bishop of Vincennes.

Father M. J. Power set sail from Queenstown, bound for New York, and arrived at Indianapolis in June, 1881. He was assigned to St. John's church, at Indianapolis, and at the end of three months was given charge of St. Paul's church at Greencastle, Putnam county, Ind. He arrived there August 20, 1881, and was pastor of that congregation four years. At that time this was an important parish. To him the parish owes a debt of gratitude for establishing the first parochial school, which was taught by Miss Alice Cullen. She was the efficient organist of St. Paul's church, and was an admirable teacher. Father Power had a hard and arduous work to accomplish, but he did it successfully. From that parish he was sent to St. Malachy's, at Brownsburg, Ind., where he has administered to the parish for almost fourteen years. He is a gentleman who has the happy faculty of harmonizing factions, and the parish is in a very healthy state, in every sense. Some of his parishioners reside eighteen miles away from the

rectory, which occasions heavy work to him as a pastor. Since he assumed charge of the parish, he has purchased five acres of land, for the cemetery, and fenced it, costing, entire, \$1,500. The cemetery was consecrated in 1853 by Bishop Chatard. Father Power also re-roofed the church and built an addition to the rectory, costing \$400. There is no debt resting against the parish, which speaks commendably of priest and people alike.

**C**HARLES FREDERICK THIELE, a leading grocer of Goshen, Elkhart county, Ind., was born in Danzig, Prussia, May 18, 1836, a son of Charles and Ann Elizabeth (Steingraber) Thiele, natives of the same province. The father was a stonemason by trade, and also a soldier in the Prussian army, in which he served twenty-five years. He was a devout Catholic, and died in the faith in 1842, his widow surviving until 1852, when she, too, expired in the same faith. Of their twelve children, two only are now living, viz: Henrietta, of Baltimore, Md., and Charles F.

Charles F. Thiele attended a parochial school in his native land until ten years of age and was then placed in an orphan asylum, where he remained until fifteen years old, receiving his first communion from Father Smalley, and returning to his mother's home. He then served an apprenticeship of four years at cabinet-making, worked as a journeyman three years, and in 1858 enlisted in the Fifth regiment, Second battalion, Eighth company, infantry, in which he served until 1861, then went to Hanover, and July 31 married Miss Marie T. Thime, a native of that city, born May 27, 1836. He remained in Hanover five years, working at his trade, and then, in April, 1866, sailed for the United States and landed in Baltimore, Md., in June. He then worked at cabinetmaking two years. He next came to Goshen, Ind., and was here employed fifteen years as foreman for a furniture factory, and in the fall of 1883 opened his present grocery store, which he has since conducted with the most satisfactory results, carrying as well selected a stock as can be found in the city.

To the marriage of Charles F. Thiele and Marie T. Thime

have been born eleven children, viz: Annie E., wife of George W. Rink, a farmer; Rev. Charles H., pastor of St. Ann's church, Monterey, Pulaski county, Ind.; Marie T., deceased; Rev. George, assistant priest at Aurora, Ind.; Marie T., second, also deceased; Frank B., a clerk in Goshen; Barbara, deceased; Henry and Joseph, in the ice trade in Goshen; Thomas, a student, and an infant deceased. The family are all good Catholics and prominent in church work, Mr. Thiele having been for sometime treasurer of the Total Abstinence society connected with St. John's church.

REV. GEORGE M. SCHRAMM, pastor of St. Peter's church, Laporte, Ind., was born in Ft. Wayne, June 16, 1867, a son of Martin and Theressa (Noll) Schramm. He attended St. Mary's parochial school until thirteen years of age, and then the cathedral school for a year and a half, following which he was employed about a year as a clerk. At the age of sixteen years he entered St. Lawrence college, at Mount Calvary, Fond du Lac county, Wis., where he remained five years in the classical course of study, and then went to Mount St. Mary's seminary, in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he pursued his theological studies five years longer. May 11, 1893, he was ordained priest by Archbishop Elder for the diocese of Fort Wayne, and was at once stationed at Reynolds, White county, Ind., as pastor of St. Joseph's church with missions at Francesville and Medaryville, Pulaski county, and North Judson and San Pierre, Starke county. There he labored zealously two years, when he was taken ill and was confined in the hospital at LaFayette for nine months. On recovery, he became the assistant of Father Bleckmann, at Michigan City, Laporte county, where he officiated until October 9, 1897, when he entered upon his duties as pastor of St. Peter's, Laporte, where he since labored earnestly for the welfare of his flock.

St. Peter's church-building is 80 x 40 feet, has a seating capacity for 500 persons and the congregation comprises about 100 families, mostly of Irish extraction. The school, under the direction of the Holy Cross Sisters, of St. Rose academy, is attended by about forty pupils.

FRANK B. THIELE, the popular and gentlemanly assistant of the Kolb Grocery company of Goshen, Ind., was born in this city February 11, 1871, and is a son of Charles F. and Marie T. (Thime) Thiele, whose biography appears on page 1320. He attended public and parochial schools of Goshen until fourteen years of age, and was then employed in farm labor for three years, gaining therein strength of both muscle and brain. When about eighteen years of age he entered the employ of the company with which he is still engaged, and rapidly rose in the esteem of his employers and their patrons, reaching in a very short period of time his present responsible position.

Mr. Thiele was united in marriage at Mullersburg, Elkhart county, Ind., June 29, 1892, with Miss Cynthia Niner, a daughter of Lewis and Cynthia (Messmer) Niner, and a native of the village in which her marriage took place. This marriage has been blessed with one bright child—Colette, who adds, by her presence, to the unalloyed happiness of her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Thiele are members of St. John's church, to which they freely contribute of their means, and aid in all its good work, Mr. Thiele being a member of the School society, and Mrs. Thiele of the Ladies' sodality. In politics Mr. Thiele is a democrat.

WILLIAM THOMPSON, a thriving farmer of Monroe township, Allen county, Ind., was born in Huron county, Ohio, December 14, 1834, and received a sound English education. He married Miss Rosa G. Bell, who blessed him with eight children, born in the following order: Louisa, who was married, and died at the age of twenty-four years, leaving one daughter; Henry J.; Edward B.; Frederick J.; Albert J.; Mary B., wife of E. A. Hettel, who resides near Napoleon, Ohio; Lena M. and Josephine A., all true members of the Catholic church. The mother of this family died in 1878, and was also a devout Catholic.

Miss Lena M. Thompson, next to the youngest of the eight children enumerated above, has for the past four years conducted a fashionable millinery establishment in Monroeville, in partner-



ship with Mrs. Theresa Kauffman, and carries an excellent and extensive stock of the handsomest goods in this line to be found in any establishment of the kind outside of a large city. Her amiable disposition, superb taste and undeviating adherence to truthfulness in the representation of her wares, have made her a universal favorite, and have secured for her a leading portion of the trade of Monroeville and surrounding country.

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FRANCIS ADOLPH THUIS, late a well-known dealer in harness and horse supplies at No. 111 Main street, Vincennes, was born in Dedham, Gelderland, Holland, March 23, 1837, son of Francis A. and Johanna H. (Hendrickson) Thuis, who were the parents of twenty-three children, but three of whom are now living—Henry F., Albert J. and Theodore G., all located at Vincennes, and the only members of the family who came to America, with the exception of the deceased, Francis A.

Francis A. Thuis learned his trade while yet a resident of Holland. In 1854 he and his elder brother, Henry, came to America, landing at New York May 7, of that year. They stopped at Brooklyn a few months and then went to Cleveland, Ohio, where for three years our subject worked at his trade. In the fall of 1857 he came to Vincennes, where for two years he was employed as a passenger brakeman on the E. & T. H. railroad. The succeeding two years he spent as a clerk in a general store. July 10, 1861, he enlisted as a musician in the band of the Twenty-fourth Indiana infantry, and served until August 16, 1862, when by reason of a special act of congress, military bands, enlisted as such, were discharged. Mr. Thuis then returned to Vincennes, but in 1863 he re-enlisted as a private in company A, Ninety-first Indiana infantry. Here he was detailed as a musician and served until the end of the war, receiving his honorable discharge at Indianapolis. Returning again to Vincennes he re-engaged at his trade, and worked as a journeyman until 1884, when he entered business on his own account, and was quite successful. He began with limited means, but by careful attention and study to please

the trade, he built up a business of considerable note. He carried a stock of about \$5,000 value, and employed quite a force of workmen. He owned his own store building and his home, and was comfortably to do in the world.

Mr. Thuis was a great lover of music and for many years was a member of the choir at St. Francis' cathedral. Politically he was inclined to be independent in his views. He was originally a Douglas democrat, but lately became a free-silver republican, and was a member of Jeff C. Davis post, G. A. R.

On April 18, 1866, Mr. Thuis was married to Miss Mary J. Page, daughter of John B. and Elizabeth (Millette) Page, representatives of two of the early French families in Vincennes, the former's father, Dominique Page, being also a native of Vincennes. Mr. and Mrs. Thuis had born to them six children, as follows: Johanna Esther, at home; Louis Edmond, of whom further mention will be made; Mary Elizabeth, a student in the Cincinnati college of Music; Francis Eugene, a clerk in a mercantile house in this city; Charles A., and Silas Leo, a student at St. Rose academy. The latter, though but a lad of fourteen, has a marked taste and talent for music, in which line he already exhibits a degree of proficiency which is exceedingly promising.

The father of this family was called from earth January 13, 1898, and died in the faith of the Catholic church, from stomach trouble incurred while in the army. He was a highly respected gentleman, and his funeral was attended by an immense throng of friends and neighbors, irrespective of religious affiliations, by whom his death was as sincerely, if not as deeply, mourned as by his immediate family.

Louis Edmond Thuis, eldest son of Francis Adolph and Mary J. (Page) Thuis, was born in Vincennes April 22, 1868. He attended the parochial school eight years, was then employed as clerk, etc., in mercantile trade about eight years in Vincennes, and for six years was in the grocery business on his own account in Cincinnati. He then entered the Ohio Medical college at Cincinnati and was preparing himself for the practice of medicine when his father was called away, and it then became incumbent on him to assume charge of the business of the deceased parent. The

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family are members of St. Francis Xavier cathedral congregation and are devoted to their faith.

**FRANK TOBIN**, a native of Indianapolis, and by trade a boiler-maker, in the employ of the Belt shops, was born November 25, 1870, and is a son of Thomas and Margaret (Bradley) Tobin, the former of whom is a native of county Waterford, and the latter of Londonderry, Ireland.

The parents were single when they came to America, and were married in Indianapolis in 1858, at St. John's church, Rev. Father Bessonies officiating. This marriage has been blessed with seven children, four of whom still survive, viz: Mary, Rose, Margaret and Frank—all married, with the exception of Frank, who makes his home with his aged parents, who own a comfortable dwelling at No. 306 West McCarty street, which they have occupied the past twenty-three years. Thomas Tobin was himself a boilermaker during the active business years of his life, but, having been industrious and frugal, has been able to live in retirement for the past fifteen years or more. The family are members of St. John's congregation, now under the pastorate of Rev. Father Gavisk, and, faithful to their church duties, liberal in their contributions to the support of the church itself, and enjoy the respect of the congregation and of their neighbors and many warm friends throughout the city.

**REV. MEINRAD TOELLE**, pastor of the church at Napoleon, Ripley county, Ind., but formerly assistant pastor at St. Mary's church, Indianapolis; was born in the diocese of Fulda, Prussia, on the fourth day of June, 1859. He pursued a preparatory course of study in his native country, and in June, 1883, came to the United States. For some time after coming to America he was a student in St. Joseph's college, Teutopolis, Ill., and from that institution went to St. Paul, Minn., where he continued his studies until 1887. In that year he went to St. Meinrad's college,

Spencer county, Ind., for his philosophical and theological course, and was ordained priest in Sts. Peter and Paul's church on the 12th of August, 1894.

Immediately following his induction into the priesthood, Father Toelle was made assistant pastor of Holy Trinity church, Evansville, Ind., and exercised the functions of his office at that place until assigned as assistant to Rev. Father Scheideler, pastor of St. Mary's, Indianapolis, March 13, 1897, where he did faithful and effective duty until assigned to his present pastorate.

REV. FRANCIS JOSEPH RUDOLF, pastor of St. Gabriel's church, Connersville, Fayette county, is a native of Battenheim, in Alsace, Germany, and was born November 17, 1842. His early educational training was begun in the parochial schools of his native land, and at the age of thirteen years he came with his parents to America, and located at Oldenburg, Ind.

Young Francis Joseph attended the parochial schools of Oldenburg for a short time, and subsequently studied at Enochsburg, where he was taught the rudiments of Latin by Brother John Mary. He next attended the diocesan seminary at Vincennes for one term and the following year went to Mount St. Mary's seminary, near Cincinnati, Ohio, where he completed his studies, was ordained priest May 4, 1867, by Archbishop Purcell, and celebrated his first mass at Oldenburg, May 12, 1867. After a short stay at Lancaster, Ohio, Father Rudolf asked to be transferred to the diocese of Vincennes. Consequently, in November, 1868, he was assigned to the pastorate of St. Vincent's, Shelby county. In 1870 the parsonage was there erected; in 1877 preparations were made for the erection of a new church, which was completed in 1880, its dimensions being 112 x 43 feet, with a steeple 138 feet high. During his pastorate at St. Vincent's Father Rudolf also attended St. Joseph's congregation at Shelbyville, where he commenced a school conducted by the Franciscan Sisters.

Right Rev. Bishop Chatard next assigned Father Rudolf to St. Gabriel's parish at Connersville, where the latter arrived May





*F. J. Rudolf*



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4, 1881. During his first year's work he paid all the debts of the parish, bought five additional lots adjoining the school-house, and then began to make arrangements to erect a new church. The corner-stone was laid by Bishop Chatard, June 11, 1882, the building was completed in 1884, and was dedicated to the service of God, June 15, of the same year. The church is a beautiful edifice, 145 x 54 feet, with a transept 74 x 26. The building has a stone foundation, with brick walls and Bedford stone trimmings. The roof is of black Bangor slate, and cornices, gutters and finials of galvanized iron, and the height of the tower is 165 feet, in all. The interior is elegantly and richly finished in ash. The cost was \$27,000.

Father Rudolf has a special pride in keeping the church grounds neat and attractive. On one side stands the school-house—a fine commodious two-story brick building; on the rear of the school-house stands a hall lately built. On the other side of the church stands the rectory, a handsome two-story building of brick and stone. No parish in the diocese has a more handsome and valuable church property, and it is a standing monument to the financial ability of the pastor and the liberality of the parishioners.

From one of the Connersville city papers, the following record is taken:

Father Francis J. Rudolf was sent to this charge May 3, 1881, and it has since proven a wise move. He has won the confidence of the members of his congregation by his devout and Christian manner. He is genial, social and makes himself at home with his members. He is ever ready to do a kindness, to visit the sick, and always greets his friends with a smile, and a cheerful word, thus winning a warm spot in the hearts of all. As a gentleman and a citizen he enjoys the respect and esteem of every one.

This brief biography shows that Father Rudolf has been in the ministry thirty-one years, and his work has been fruitful in happy results. When he had attained twenty-five years as a priest his friends and parishioners gave him a celebration, May 4, 1892, which was fitting and just in its mission, in deference to a good man. This occasion was designed as his silver jubilee, and the following well known clergy were present: Revs. Alerding and Scheideler, of Indianapolis; Seibenfoercher, Kenton, Ohio; Fischer, Springfield, Ind.; Sondermann, Lawrenceburg, Ind.; Fleischmann, St.

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Peter's Franklin county; David and Dr. Averdick, Oldenburg; Seepe, Madison; Very Rev. John Murray, Cincinnati, Ohio; Revs. Joseph Carey, Oxford, Ohio; T. X. Logan, Rushville, Ind.; E. J. Spelman, Cambridge; Very Rev. D. J. McMullen, Richmond; Revs. A. Kaelin, Shelbyville, and J. M. D'Arco, Liberty. The above named priests were also present at solemn high mass on Wednesday morning preceding the silver jubilee, with Father Rudolf as celebrant. This meeting was fraught with many pleasing reminiscences of the ministry of Father Rudolf, which will go down in historic remembrance in the Catholic parish of Connersville.

MARCUS H. THOMAS, M. D., interne at the Indianapolis city dispensary, is a son of Dr. Elias B. and Ann M. (Frayne) Thomas, and was born in La Gro, Wabash county, Ind., February 18, 1876.

Dr. Elias B. Thomas was born in Fayette county, Ind., June 18, 1822, was of Welsh extraction. He studied medicine in Wabash county, and there practiced for forty-five years, was well known and decidedly successful and died of apoplexy in LaGro, June 22, 1882, a convert to Catholicity. He had served in the Fourth Indiana volunteer cavalry as assistant surgeon, but resigned on account of the sickness and death of his first wife, who left three children. To his second marriage, which was to Miss Frayne, there were also born three children, of whom, Dr. Marcus H. Thomas is the sole survivor.

Ann M. Frayne was born January 1, 1841, of Irish ancestry. She was left an orphan in childhood, but had early been taught the holy lessons of the Catholic church, from which she never swerved. Becoming a milliner, she prosecuted that vocation with profit, and accumulated sufficient means to enable her to visit Europe prior to her marriage. She is a cousin to Miss Bridget Roach, who is having erected a church in Huntington, Ind., for the benefit of the English-speaking Catholics of that city. This edifice, with the pastor's residence and a home for the Sisters, which she donates free of all incumbrance, will incur an expenditure of

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\$90,000. Ann M. Frayne, now the widow of Dr. Elias B. Thomas, is living in quiet retirement with her son, Dr. Marcus H., in Indianapolis.

Marcus H. Thomas received his elementary education in the common and high schools of LaGro, and in April, 1893, accompanied his mother to Indianapolis. Here he entered upon his professional studies in the Central college of Physicians & Surgeons, from which he was graduated March 24, 1897. Under competitive examination, held under and by authority of the city board of health, Dr. Thomas was selected for and appointed to his present responsible position, upon the duties of which he entered May 1, 1897.

The city dispensary is maintained by the board of health, at the expense of the city, for the treatment of the worthy indigent, and emergency cases are provided for by the maintenance of a train of ambulances. Its office records show that, for the past three years, over 12,000 patients have been treated annually under its auspices—being an average of nearly thirty-three patients per day, making an excellent school of practice for the neophyte in medicine. The tenure of office of interne is one year, which insures the incumbent a diploma signed by the city staff of physicians—a document of intrinsic value to a young practitioner.

Dr. Thomas is a devout Catholic and a young man of unimpeached morality, and under his present constant and varied opportunities for practice must necessarily attain prominence as a physician in the not distant future.

**J**AMES TONER, an ex-soldier of the late Civil war, and now a printer for the Kingan Packing company, was born in county Derry, Ireland, September 12, 1835. He is a son of Patrick and Mary (Conlin) Toner, both of whom were natives of the same county in which he was born and in which they passed their entire lives. Patrick Toner was a provision merchant in Ireland and lived to a ripe old age. He and his wife were the parents of nine children, of whom James, the subject of this sketch, was the eldest.

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In the fall of 1861 James Toner came to the United States, reaching Cincinnati November 1. From Cincinnati he went to St. Louis and was employed by a firm that took government contracts to supply the army with pork. After being thus engaged for some time he enlisted in company K, Sixth Missouri volunteer infantry, which formed a part of the First brigade, Second division, Fifteenth army corps, under command of Gen. John A. Logan. The first battle in which he was engaged was that at Resaca, and his second was at Rome, Ga., but he had participated in a series of skirmishes leading up to these battles. Remaining in the service to the end of the war he was discharged at Little Rock, Ark., and then returned to Cincinnati, where for some time he was engaged as bookkeeper in Morrison's packing house. From Cincinnati he removed, in 1873, to Indianapolis, became an employee of the Kingan Packing company, and has since been continuously in this company's employ, at the present time being engaged in printing blanks of various kinds, circulars, etc., for the firm.

Mr. Toner was married in Cincinnati, Ohio, March 4, 1862, to Miss Catherine Hennessy, a native of county Kerry, Ireland, and by her had five children, only two of whom are now living. They were named as follows: Patrick; Mary, deceased; Katie, deceased; Sarah, and Joseph, deceased. Those that died, died in childhood. Patrick is married and is employed in the wheel works at Cincinnati, and Sarah is now Mrs. Bennett, residing on Row street, Indianapolis, her husband being a painter. Mrs. Toner, wife of the subject, died January 21, 1886, since when he has lived single. He is a member of St. John's church, is a devout Catholic, and contributes liberally to the support of his church. He is also a member of the sodality of the Blessed Virgin, and of the Sacred Heart society. Politically he is a democrat, but never has sought office, is unobtrusive and modest in his demeanor, is a most kind-hearted gentleman, and claims no credit for what he has done or accomplished in life, maintaining that any other man might have done at least as well. His services during the war of the Rebellion are certainly deserving of special mention and will always be remembered by all patriotic American citizens. Otherwise as a citizen he is highly esteemed, and enjoys the respect and friend-

ship of a large circle of acquaintances, who rejoice with him in his prosperity, and mourn with him whenever misfortune comes, as it did when he lost his excellent wife.

**W**ILLIAM HENRY TORBECK, an expert furniture finisher, of Richmond, Ind., was born in Bieste, Hanover, Germany, September 12, 1850, and is a son of William F. and Mary Elizabeth (Shawe) Torbeck, natives of the same country, who came to America in 1858.

William F. Torbeck, the father of William H. Torbeck, was born in the province of Bieste, Hanover, in 1825, led the life of a general laborer, and to his marriage with Mary Elizabeth Shawe were born eight children, viz: William Henry, Henry R. and Katherine, of Richmond; John, deceased; Frank, Dena, Mary (deceased), and Joseph, who resides in Troy, Ohio. On coming to America, William F. Torbeck landed in New York, came west to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he passed three months, and reached Richmond, Ind., in the spring of 1859, and here, for three years, was employed as a laborer in a cooper shop. In 1862 he engaged in contracting for stone-masonry work, and was thus occupied until his death, which occurred March 19, 1874, in the Catholic faith, and a charter member of St. Joseph's society. His wife is still living, and is a devout member of St. Andrew's church.

William Henry Torbeck was educated in St. Andrew's school, in Richmond, and in 1863 was apprenticed to the furniture and finishing trade under Clem Scott & Co., on Fort Wayne avenue, south of the railroad, with whom he served a term of five years. He then went to work for William Fulgum & Bro., furniture dealers, on North E street, remained with that firm one and one-half years, and since 1870 has been continuously employed (for twenty-seven years) as foreman in the finishing department of J. M. Hutton & Co.'s coffin and casket works at Richmond, Ind.

Mr. Torbeck was happily married, September 5, 1872, to Miss Mary Amelia Witte, the ceremony being solemnized by Rev. Father Huber, of St. Andrew's church, and this union has been blessed

with eight children, viz: Clare L., Edward P., Gertrude (deceased), Mary R., Andrew F., Nora K., Ida Anna (deceased) and Farona (deceased). The surviving members of the family are faithful members of St. Andrew's church, to the support of which they liberally contribute, and of which Mr. Torbeck has served three terms as trustee. For the past ten years he has been president of St. Joseph's Benevolent society, and no resident of Richmond is held in higher esteem, both inside and outside of his parish.

REV. FRANCIS TORBECK, pastor of the German church of the Immaculate Conception (or St. Mary's church), at Washington, Daviess county, Ind., was born in Warendorf, Westphalia, Germany, December 13, 1853, and is the youngest of the seven children that have blessed the marriage of Henry and Theresa Torbeck. These children have all reached maturity, and two of them, daughters, are teachers in their native land.

Rev. Francis Torbeck, the only member of his family to come to America, was educated in his native city of Warendorf. August 15, 1874, he landed in New York city, where he had two cousins engaged in the practice of law, and after a short stay in the Empire city came to Indiana and entered St. Meinrad's theological seminary, in Spencer county, where he finished his theological studies. February 2, 1878, he was ordained at St. John's church, Indianapolis, by Archbishop Purcell, and his first appointment was as assistant to Father Brandt, of St. Mary's church, Madison, Ind. Father Brandt was called from earth in April, 1881, and May 4, of the same year, Father Torbeck was transferred to St. Vincent's, in Shelby county, and while there had also a charge at Shelbyville, where he purchased the school property, also the cemetery. In July, 1886, he was transferred to New Alsace, Dearborn county; April 23, 1890, was placed in charge of St. James', in Gibson county, and April 3, 1893, was appointed to his present pastorate of St. Mary's, at Washington. Here he has labored assiduously and made many improvements, and it can be said, to his credit, that he has always been able to lessen the

indebtedness of every parish of which he has had charge. As a pastor, he has ever enjoyed the warm affection of his flock, and this is manifested to a marked degree in his present charge.

**H**ENRY H. TORLINE, a highly respected farmer of Addison township, Shelby county, Ind., was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, December 19, 1837, a son of Bernard H. and Adelaide (Grimme) Torline, natives of Germany.

Bernard H. Torline, a son of Dirk and Anna Mary (Bamker) Torline, was born in the parish of Bersenbrueck, Hanover, Germany, August 11, 1805, and in 1835 brought his wife to America. They located in Cincinnati, where the father was employed in a printing office as a common laborer until 1841, when he removed to Enochsburg, Franklin county, Ind., and engaged in farming. His was the third Catholic family to settle near Enochsburg, and he, in conjunction with eight others, built the first Catholic church in Enochsburg. He was united in marriage, in his native parish, November 9, 1834, with Miss Adelaide Grimme, who was born August 5, 1806, a daughter of Herman H. and Maria A. (Zumberge) Grimme, and this union was blessed with eight children, viz: Richard, the eldest, died in Germany; Henry H., whose name opens this article; Elizabeth, who is married to Joseph Goke; Josephine, wife of Frederick Schroeder; John A., of Kansas; Caroline died October 9, 1897; Frank and Zeta, deceased—all born in America, with the exception of the eldest. The mother of this family passed away May 5, 1881; the father, who was a small man, full of fire and energy, died March 24, 1894, his remains being interred in St. John's parish, at Enochsburg. He had been a very industrious and successful farmer, and left, at the time of his death, 122 acres of well-cultivated land, earned entirely by his own exertions. He was greatly respected throughout his township and he and wife were devout and true Catholics, in which faith their children were all baptized.

Henry H. Torline was but four years of age when his parents settled in Franklin county. He attended public school until twelve

years old, and then assisted on the home farm until twenty-one. January 9, 1859, he there married Miss Mary Ann Bommann, who was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, October 19, 1840, a daughter of Joseph and Gertrude (Weldaur) Bommann, who came from Germany—the former born in Ankum and the later in Oldenburg, and who, after residing in Cincinnati a short time, located near Mr. Torline's farm in Franklin county—pioneers of the Catholic church. For a year after marriage Henry H. Torline continued to reside in Franklin county, then lived in Cincinnati, Ohio, until 1862, engaged in general work, when he returned to Franklin county, purchased a sixty-five-acre farm, on which he lived one year, then came to Shelby county in 1863, and for five years engaged in contracting for cord-wood supplies for railroad companies. In 1867 he bought a farm of 143 acres in Sugar Creek township, this county, on which he made his home until September, 1884, when he bought the fifteen-acre lot on which he now lives, within the sight of Shelbyville.

Mr. and Mrs. Torline are members of St. Joseph's congregation, she being a member of the Altar society. They have been blessed with no children of their own, but have reared five orphans, viz: Mrs. John Bogeman, née Anna Schaffer, and Emma, Eva, Rachel and Altie Holton (all four of the same family). These children were not born in the Catholic faith, but have been converted and are now consistent members of St. Joseph's church. In politics Mr. Torline is a democrat and has served three years as county commissioner and held other local offices. He and wife are highly respected members of society, are liberal in their contributions to the support of their church, and are greatly esteemed for the genuine charity and benevolence of their dispositions.

REV. JOHN TREMMEL, the beloved pastor of St. Joseph's church, at Covington, Fountain county, Ind., was born in Fort Wayne, August 29, 1866, a son of John and Josephine (Kelliger) Tremmel, natives of Germany and Switzerland respectively. He attended the parochial schools of Fort Wayne until 1881, and



then entered St. Lawrence college, from which he was graduated in the classical course in 1886; he next attended St. Francis seminary in Milwaukee, Wis., and in 1887 entered the Theological seminary at Cincinnati, Ohio, where he concluded his studies in theology, and was ordained priest June 13, 1890. His first appointment was as assistant to Rev H. M. Plaster at Hammond, Ind.; he was next placed in charge at LaGro, Ind., and in January, 1891, was appointed to his present pastorate of St. Joseph's, which also includes the mission at Veedersburg.

Rev. Father Tremmel is a well educated gentleman, a pious clergyman, and a zealous worker in the holy faith; he has made many warm friends in Covington, composed of both Catholics and Protestants, who respect him not only for his fidelity to his charge, but for his gentle demeanor, gracious manners and naturally amiable personal characteristics.

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JOHN TROXLER, for many years in the harness business at Jasper, Ind., is a son of Joseph and Mary (Block) Troxler, and was born in Dubois county November 21, 1843, was raised on his father's farm, attended the common schools, and at the age of thirty years engaged in his present business, which he has continued ever since. He was married to Miss Mary Kraus, a daughter of Charles Kraus of Jasper, May 26, 1874, and of the four children that blessed this union three are still living, viz: Helen R., Charles A. and Ellen N. The family are members of St. Joseph's church, and faithful their duties. Mr. Troxler is temperate and industrious and has won the esteem of all who know him, and his family enjoy with him the respect of the community.

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THOMAS J. TULEY, an eminent attorney at law, Logansport, Ind., and a member of St. Joseph's church, was born in Jefferson county, Ky., August 8, 1844, a son of Preston F. and Mary C. (Woodruff) Tuley—the latter a daughter of Judge Seth Woodruff

and born in Elizabeth, N. J., and her death taking place in New Albany, Ind., August 7, 1872, at the age of sixty-nine years—the Woodruff family being of Welsh ancestry.

Preston F. Tuley was born in Louisville, Ky., January 10, 1800, and was a son of William Floyd Tuley, a native of Virginia, who served with Col. John Floyd in the early Indian wars of Kentucky, and was killed in a fight with the redskins at Floyd's Forks. Charles Tuley, father of William F. Tuley, was also a native of Virginia, was of French extraction, was a soldier of the war of the Revolution and in some of the early Indian wars, and married Elizabeth Floyd, a sister of ex-Gov. John Floyd, of Virginia. Preston F. Tuley was reared a merchant in Louisville, moved to Indiana, was a very popular democrat, and served his party as sheriff of Floyd county and also as a member of the state legislature. He settled in New Albany, Ind., where he continued merchandizing, and also managed several farms belonging to his wife, and died March 24, 1851, leaving a family of eight children, viz: William W., who was a lawyer by profession, served in the war with Mexico as chief clerk in the quartermaster's department for two years, and later became colonel in the Indiana militia; he also served as city clerk of New Albany, and for nine years was county clerk of Floyd county; George W. was a carpenter and steamboat-cabinet worker, later became a farmer, and is now living in retirement in New Albany; Edward P., who was born February 11, 1829, was a dealer in harness and saddlery at Uniontown, Ky., but when the Civil war broke out located in New Albany, Ind., where his death took place January 17, 1889; Charles Preston was a farmer in Floyd county, Ind., and died in August, 1877; Benjamin F. was for a number of years a steamboat carpenter and clerk, was from 1872 to 1878 deputy clerk of Floyd county, later was in the saw-mill and lumber business, and was called away April 1, 1884; Priscilla B. became the wife of Col. Thomas D. Sedgwick, and passed to her final rest, at New Albany, March 16, 1872, at the age of thirty-five years; Seth W. has been a clerk in the post-office department at Washington, D. C., and Thomas J., the youngest member of the family, is the gentleman whose name opens this biographical record.

Thomas J. Tuley was an infant when his parents removed from Kentucky to New Albany, Ind., and still a small boy when his father was called away. He received his primary education in the common schools and then attended private schools in New Albany, and later entered the law department of the State university at Bloomington, Ind., and at the age of seventeen years entered the county clerk's office at New Albany, where he served three years as deputy, and later served in the same capacity at Rockport, Ind., although he practically had charge of the office for several months. In the fall of 1865, at the request of his cousin, Judge M. F. Tuley, of Chicago, he went to that city and studied law in the office of the judge until admitted to the bar in 1870, when he became a partner of his preceptors (Barker & Tuley), and carried on a law business until the great fire of 1871, when he lost his all. He then returned to New Albany, Ind., and practiced in the office of his brother, also doing newspaper and other literary work until January, 1875, when he came to Logansport. Here he soon established an excellent practice, but from 1878 until 1881 was a member of the firm of McConnell & Tuley; he has since been alone, doing a general law business, but giving his especial attention to courts of equity, in which he has frequently served as judge pro tem.

In politics Mr. Tuley is a democrat, filled the office of city attorney for nearly four years, and has also served in other positions of trust and honor.

Mr. Tuley was reared a Protestant, his maternal grandfather, Woodruff, having been a minister as well as a judge, and Mr. Tuley's early education was antagonistic to Catholicism, but a conversation with Mrs. Gen. William T. Sherman unbiassed his mind, and after five years of study and investigation he became converted to the faith and was admitted to the church by Father Koehne in 1875.

January 13, 1876, Mr. Tuley was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Rush, daughter of Dr. William P. Rush, of Edinburg, Ind., and a granddaughter of Elihu Stout, a pioneer of Vincennes, Ind., and the publisher of the first newspaper issued in the state. Mrs. Tuley was reared a Catholic, her mother having been also a

convert to the faith. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Tuley was blessed with one child, Mary Agnes, who is now a student at Mount Aloysius academy at Cresson, Pa., but the mother was called to her heavenly home November 10, 1883.

Fraternally Mr. Tuley was the first council commander of the Woodmen of the World, in the state of Indiana, and served three terms. As has been intimated, he has paid considerable attention to literary work, being a frequent contributor to newspapers and magazines, and it was his pen that indited all the editorials published in the Shamrock, at Logansport, on St. Patrick's day, 1877. He has quite a lucrative law practice, which is constantly augmenting, owns considerable real estate in Floyd county, Ind., and is a gentleman who commands the respect and esteem of all with whom he becomes acquainted.

JOHN ULRICH, a druggist of Aurora, Dearborn county, chief of the fire department and trustee of the Immaculate Conception church, is a son of Frank and Mary Kindscherf Ulrich, of Baden, Germany, who came to the United States in 1851, and located in New Orleans, La. They then lived five years in Petersburg, Ky., then located at Lawrenceburg, Ind., and came to Aurora, Ind., in 1861. The father worked at the cooper trade in Aurora until 1890.

John Ulrich, the subject, was born November 13, 1860, in Petersburg, Ky. He attended the common schools, and at the age of thirteen learned the cooper trade, which he worked at until he was sixteen years old. He then engaged in his present business under Mr. Leibecks for five years; then returned to the cooper business on account of poor health for five years; then purchased the Leibeck drug stock and removed it to his present place, corner of Second and Main streets, and carries a stock now valued at about \$6,000. He was married to Helen Nees, a daughter of J. A. Nees, of Aurora, on May 10, 1882, and five children have blessed this union, viz: Willie, George, Leonia, Arlie and Helen, all members of St. Mary's church. He owns his own place of business, is a member and president of Aurora commandery, No. 232, and is one of the most enterprising and popular citizens of Aurora.

REV. FRANCIS XAVIER UNTERREITMEIER, assistant priest of St. John the Baptist's Catholic church of Vincennes, Ind., was born in Bavaria, Germany, April 30, 1867, and is a son of Peter and Mary (Wimmer) Unterreitmeier, the former of whom is a carpenter and builder in the village of Altfraunhofen, where the parents now reside. Father Unterreitmeier is the only surviving son born to his parents, but has two married sisters still living in Bavaria. A maternal uncle, Rev. Lawrence Wimmer, is a priest in Germany, and subject and he are the only members of the family in church orders.

Father Unterreitmeier received his elementary education in his native country, and when between seventeen and eighteen years of age came alone to America. He began his academic education at St. Vincent's abbey, Westmoreland county, Pa., and at the Brothers' school, Dayton, Ohio, attending the latter but a short time, and completed his collegiate course at St. Benedict's abbey, Atchison, Kans.; his philosophical and theological studies were pursued at St. Meinrad, Ind., and November 3, 1894, he was ordained priest at the St. Francis Xavier cathedral in Vincennes, by Bishop Chatard, when he at once entered upon the duties of his present office, which have been almost wholly performed by himself, owing to the physical disability of his superior, Rev. Father Merz (now deceased). With commendable humility, but with pious vigor and zeal, Father Unterreitmeier, never tires in his duty, and his whole heart is devoted to the welfare of his congregation and the good of the church.

REV. JOHN B. UNVERZAGT, pastor of St. Maurice's church, Decatur county, Ind., is a native of Baden, Germany, and was born October 10, 1834. He studied seven years in the college at Freiburg, and two years in the university of Freiburg, then entered the Jesuit order in 1857, and in 1860 was sent to Lyons, France, and in 1866 was sent to New Orleans, La. In 1868 he was dispatched to Constantine, Africa, and there attended the French and Irish missions. In 1870 he was forced to leave as a Prussian spy,

and was appointed military chaplain to 15,000 French prisoners at Rastadt, Baden.

In November, 1871, he came to the southern diocese of Indiana. His first appointment here was at Leopold, Perry county, in 1872, and whilst there, he relieved his church of bankruptcy, paid the entire debt and furnished the church. In 1877 he started St. Mark's parish, in the same county, and was the first resident priest. Here he erected the parsonage and supplied the church with all necessary paraphernalia, and after twenty months was sent to Bloomington, Ind., and there finished the St. Charles Borromeo church in 1879. During the same time he infused new life and vigor in St. Vincent's parish, at Bedford, Lawrence county, and began the erection of the rectory, having likewise the charge of this parish.

In 1883 he was sent to Newcastle, Henry county, and remained there until 1885. At Troy, Father Unverzagt next had charge of the parish of St. Pius. Whilst there he paid the debts which had been incurred, purchased three new bells at a cost of \$530, erected a tower clock at a cost of \$1,000, and the other general improvements made aggregated \$500.

January 28, 1891, Father Unverzagt came to his charge in St. Maurice parish, and made a record for himself as priest which he may be proud of. He has paid \$900 debts, frescoed the church in 1892, at a cost of \$416, furnished new pews, costing \$400, and a new organ, in 1893, at a cost of \$375. Besides the above he has placed in new stone walks, and repaired the Sisters' home. The total of work he has accomplished whilst the priest of St. Maurice will amount to at least \$3,000. The number of families in the parish is fifty-two and the souls 255. The parish is in a healthy financial state, and Father Unverzagt has guided the church through with that fortitude which is one of his cardinal characteristics. The records of St. Maurice have been carefully compiled and written up by the Reverend pastor, and are, in fact, more than usually complete. Father Unverzagt will soon establish the Franciscan Sisters in charge of the schools, and this action will prove an important factor in the success of the church. The value of St. Maurice's property is placed at \$20,000.

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REV. JOSEPH UPHAUS, pastor of St. Peter's church, Winamac, Pulaski county, was born in Putnam county, Ind., was a school-teacher in his youth, and was educated for the priesthood at the Carthaginian school of the Precious Blood. January 17, 1873, he was one of the first to be ordained by Bishop Dwenger. He received his first charge as pastor of the church of the Assumption, at Nashville, Tenn., where he built the parsonage at a cost of \$3,600, remained two and a half years, and was then for three years at St. Joseph's college in California. His next charge was that at Maria Stein, Mercer county, Ohio, or at St. John the Baptist's, of that place. In 1879 he was transferred to New Corydon, Jay county, Ind., where he erected Trinity church and also the schools in 1885, and also built a church in Jefferson township, in Adams county. After eight years of arduous and faithful, as well as fruitful, work at New Corydon, Father Uphaus was returned to Nashville, Tenn., and from Nashville came to Winamac at the date mentioned above, where his labors have met with abundant success, and where he has won the heartfelt love of his congregation.

PETER VAN HUFFEL, patternmaker of the South Bend Foundry company, and a leading member of the Belgian Catholic congregation at South Bend, Ind., was born in Hansbeke, province of Eastvlander, Belgium, in February, 1847, and is a son of Leo and Victoria (Van Vooren) Van Huffel, who were born in 1808 and 1811, respectively.

Leo Van Huffel attended a parochial school in his native country until fifteen years of age, and was then apprenticed to the blacksmith's trade; was married, in 1841, at St. Peter's church, in Hansbeke, by Father Bullens, and had born to him six children, in the following order: Isadore, Peter the subject, Serfline, Emanuel, Octave and Prudence. In 1873 he brought his family to America, landing in New York and thence coming direct to Mishawaka, Ind., where he passed the remainder of his life, dying in 1891, in which year his wife also died, both in the Catholic faith, and their remains now rest side by side in St. Joseph's cemetery.

Peter Van Huffel attended the parochial schools of Belgium until nineteen years old, then learned blacksmithing, and in 1873 came to Mishawaka with his parents, and remained with them until their decease in 1891, when he came to South Bend, and has been connected with the South Bend Foundry company as general foreman in different departments. He was first married in Hansbeke, Belgium, in 1877, to Miss Clemency DeFrees, who died in November, 1889. In January, 1891, he was next united in matrimony, in Mishawaka, by Rev. A. B. Oechtering, with Miss Theresa Ersert, and this union has been blessed with two children—Benedict and William. Mr. Van Huffel is a member of Father Paanakker's congregation, and is recognized as one of its leading and progressive members. He is a steady-going, temperate and industrious citizen, and is well deserving of the high esteem in which he is held by all who know him.

JOSEPH HENRY VOGLEWEDE, one of the substantial German American citizens of Decatur, was born on the paternal estate near this city, August 19, 1847. Garret Voglewede, his father, was born in the kingdom of Hanover, Germany, in the year 1818, and came to the United States when a young man, locating near Decatur, Ind., where he purchased a small farm of forty acres and engaged in agricultural pursuits. He added to his original purchase from time to time, until he became the owner of a large and valuable real estate, on which he resided until his death, December 18, 1887. He was married in Decatur, in 1845, to Mary Holthouse, who bore him nine children: Joseph Henry, whose name introduces this sketch; Mary, who became the wife of Henry Myers; Garret, a farmer; John W., a citizen of Decatur; Katie, wife of Michael Towhey, of Lima, Ohio; Lucy, wife of J. Glutting; Anthony, who resides on the old homestead; Lewis, in Decatur, and Anna, deceased. Mr. Voglewede, being one of the first pioneers of the Catholic church in Adams county, did much toward introducing his religion in the new and sparsely settled country. He gave much of his time and contributed liberally of



his means to the accomplishment of this object, and lived to see his faith permanently planted among the communities of Decatur and country adjacent.

Joseph Henry Voglewede spent his early years assisting his father on the farm, attending, in the meantime, such schools as the neighborhood afforded, and on attaining his majority, entered upon an apprenticeship to learn the shoemaker's trade. In 1872 he engaged in the boot and shoe trade, in addition to manufacturing, in which he has since continued, his place of business being one of the best known establishments of the kind in the city.

Mr. Voglewede and Mary Meiber were united in marriage October 22, 1872, by Father Von Schwedler, the ceremony being solemnized in St. Mary's church. The following children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Voglewede: Charles, Clara, Clemons, Florence and Bertha (twins), Mary, Agnes, Rosa and Bernard. Mr. Voglewede has served as trustee of St. Mary's parish, and, at this time, is a member of the C. B. L.; Mrs. Voglewede is a member of St. Mary's society, and both are active in the work of the church.

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REV. JOSEPH VILLINGER, O. S. B., pastor of St. Boniface parish, Fulda, Ind., is a native of Switzerland and was born July 10, 1847. Father Joseph was primarily educated in the parochial schools of his native place, canton Aargau, and afterward he made his classical studies at the colleges of Einsiedeln and Larnen in 1865-71.

In November, 1871, he sailed from Havre, France, arrived at St. Meinrad, Ind., November 21, where he entered in the novitiate of the Benedictine order December 8, 1871. After the novitiate, January 6, 1872, he made his philosophical and theological studies. He was ordained by Bishop Chatard at Ferdinand June 15, 1879, and his first work was as assistant priest at Ferdinand and at Jasper from June, 1879, to August, 1881. He then taught St. Meinrad's college and did missionary work in the parishes until 1890. From October 17, 1890, until the present time he has been the efficient pastor at Fulda, Ind. During his administration he has

erected the Sisters' house and made improvements in the church to the amount of \$4,500 without incurring any debt. The school numbers about ninety-five pupils, taught by two Benedictine Sisters. The membership of the parish is eighty families or about 400 souls.

REV. RAYMOND VERNIMONT, pastor of the church of the Most Precious Blood, at Wanatah, Laporte county, Ind., was born in Seneca county, Ohio, October 13, 1856, and is a son of Charlemagne and Mary (Lafontaine) Vernimont. He was educated in Carthage, Ohio, and June 29, 1885, was ordained at Cincinnati by Archbishop Elder. He was first assigned to Newport, Ohio, where he labored assiduously until 1887, when he was transferred to Russia, in Shelby county, of the same state, where, until 1890, his labors met with abundant reward. He was next placed in charge of St. Francis hospital at Cincinnati, where he remained three years, and was then returned to Russia, Ohio, where his work, for three and a half years, was as successful as it had been during his first charge at that place. He then officiated a few months in Mercer county, Ohio, and in September, 1897, was given charge of his present parish in Wanatah, where he has won the deep affection of his parishioners and the sincere respect of many persons outside the pale of his church.

FRANK A. VOIROL, of Fort Wayne, is a native of Switzerland, where he followed his trade of watchmaking until he came to the United States in 1849, landing in New York. From there he came to Fort Wayne, where he engaged in the jewelry business, which he continued until 1895, when, on account of failing eyesight, he gave up the business, which is now being conducted by his son, Frank J.

Frank A. Voirol was born May 11, 1820, and was married in October, 1847, to Miss Clara Baurat, to which union were born twelve children, of whom eleven are living, viz: Melina M., mar-

ried to H. Andrews, of Peru, Ind.; Emuel, Julian, Frank J., Joseph, Edward, Louis, Jules, Johnnie, Mary and Emma, the last named married to F. Reed. The family are all members of the Catholic church, and Mr. Voirol is a member of the St. Joseph Benevolent society and of the St. Vincent sodality, and has always been a quiet and useful citizen and has won for himself the respect of his fellow-citizens, with whom he has for so many years been closely allied.

PROF. F. X. VOLLMER, organist at the church of the Sacred Heart, Indianapolis, was born in Baden, Germany, July 5, 1859, and in his twelfth year came to the United States with his brother Henry, and at once entered St. Meinard's college, in Spencer county, Ind., where he passed three years in the study of Latin, with the intention of preparing himself for the priesthood, but subsequently relinquished this design and pursued a commercial course in the same institution, in order to fit himself for teaching. This vocation he followed from the fall of 1876 until 1886, when, his health failing, he made a trip to his native land, where he recovered his health after a stay of four months, when he returned to America, located at Napoleon, Ripley county, Ind., where he resumed teaching and followed the profession two years, when his health again gave way, and, as a matter of relief, he engaged in the jewelry business in Evansville. Prof. Vollmer was always possessed of a natural genius for music, and had given much attention to church and choral details in this art, and while in business at Evansville he was proffered his present position, which was precisely adapted to his taste and experience. As an organist, as well as vocal instructor, Prof. Vollmer is unexcelled, and the congregation of the church of the Sacred Heart may well congratulate themselves on the wisdom exercised by the church authorities in selecting him as their organist.

The marriage of Prof. Vollmer was solemnized at Napoleon, Ind., October 14, 1890, with Miss Cornelia Meyer, and this union has been blessed with three children, viz: William H., Frank H. and Alma Mary Theresa. The parents are true Catholics, and

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are highly respected in both church and society circles, and Prof. Vollmer, through his affability and urbanity, has won many warm personal friends since he has taken up his residence in Indianapolis.

**H**ERMAN VOLLMER, a leading business man of Princeton, Gibson county, Ind., and one of the trustees of St. Joseph's church, is a native of Baden, Germany, was born February 18, 1861, and is a son of Joseph and Walburga (Mauer) Vollmer, whose family consisted of six sons and one daughter, the subject of this sketch, Herman, being the fifth in order of birth. Joseph, the father, was a forest-keeper by calling and died in Germany in 1866, at the age of sixty-four years; of the children, four sons and the daughter still survive, viz: Joseph, a graduate of the university of Freiberg, Germany, and now a practicing physician and surgeon of Hutchinson, Minn.; Francis N., who occupies a professor's chair in the Sacred Heart college of Indianapolis, Ind.; Herman, whose name opens this paragraph; Charles, a merchant of Evansville, and Theresa is still at the old home in Germany, and is the wife of Rudolph Lang, an architect.

Herman Vollmer was confirmed at Durbach when fourteen years old, received a very good common-school education and later graduated from the watch and clockmaker's schools of Freiberg and Furtwangen, Baden. In 1879 he went to England and worked at his vocation at New-Castle-on-Tyne until 1882, when he came to America, landing at Boston, Mass., whence he came direct to Princeton, Ind., and has here ever since been engaged in business on his own account—although he had nothing but his tools, when he reached Evansville on his way to his present home. But he was skillful and industrious, prospered in his calling, and now carries the most complete stock of watches, jewelry, etc., in the city of Princeton. He is also time inspector for the Louisville, Evansville & St. Louis Railroad company, and ranks high as a business man of the strictest integrity.

Mr. Vollmer was united in marriage, at Princeton, September 1, 1885, by Rev. P. Hommes, to Miss Mary C. Keimer, a native

of Gibson county, born August 6, 1863, a daughter of Thaddeus Keimer, and confirmed at the age of thirteen years. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Vollmer has been blessed with three sons and two daughters, of whom, however, the eldest has been called away, the survivors being, Herman Joseph, Rudolph Arthur, Mary Christina and Anna Theresia. The parents are liberal in their aid to the church, and Mr. Vollmer, beside being a trustee of the same, is a member of the Evansville branch, No. 77, of the Catholic Knights of America, and a charter member of the Baden Benefit society of Evansville. In politics he is a democrat and takes a lively interest in the welfare of his city, where he is held in the highest esteem both in social and business circles.

**H**ENRY FREDERICK VOLLMER, one of the foremost business men of Washington, Daviess county, Ind., is a native of Hanover, Germany, was born May 15, 1852, a son of Henry and Sophia (Gerke) Vollmer, parents of five children, viz: Theressa, deceased; Jacob, of Germany; Joseph, deceased; Henry F., the subject, and Theodore, the last named still in Germany—all of whom received good educations, the parents, who are now deceased, having been well to do. The father was a prime mover in establishing a sugar factory, and a man of great strength of character, and was, with his wife, a sincere Catholic.

Henry F. Vollmer was classically educated in Hildesheim, Germany, and at the age of seventeen years sailed for America, landing in New York city in June, 1867. From New York he went to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he was variously employed, working, in one instance, for Ferdinand Bodemann three years, and later serving an apprenticeship of two years at carriage painting. In 1872 he came to Washington, Ind., and engaged in the same line on his own account. In 1875 he bought a general store at the corner of Mill and Center streets, and this he has ever since conducted. Subsequently he erected a pork-packing establishment on the opposite side of the street from his store and has here also been doing a thriving business ever since.

October 3, 1873, Mr. Vollmer was married, in the old St. Simon's church, by Rev. Father Gueguen (now deceased), to Miss Louisa Miller, a native of Washington, Ind., and a daughter of Jacob and Eva (Hegsdens) Miller, of Stockstadt, Bavaria, and to this union have been born ten children, viz: Mary T., Henry J., Sophie E., Anna J., Otilla C., Theodore J., Carl, Leo, Oscar F. (deceased), and Francis D. The family belong to St. Mary's Catholic congregation, of which Mr. Vollmer became a trustee in 1887, has been treasurer since the same year, and a member of the choir since the organization of the congregation.

In politics Mr. Vollmer is a democrat, and twice was elected to the city council, a third time refusing the honor. In 1890 he was elected a member of the school board and twice he has been re-elected, now serving his third term. He is president of the board, and during his incumbency of the office the south end and west end school buildings and new high school have been erected, and a great deal of money has been expended on the improvement of the central school building, and that he has a warm place in the hearts of our people is testified by the fact that when he was first elected to the council his majority was larger than any other man in the city ever received, and for the second term the republicans put up no opposition against him.

Mr. Vollmer has been active in business and social circles of Washington since he came here. He is a public-spirited citizen and few men in the community stand as well with the people as he does. For over a quarter of a century his name has been identified with the business institutions of Washington, and no man in the city stands better in business and social circles than does Henry Vollmer.

REV. FREDERICK VON SCHWEDLER, the venerable pastor of St. Patrick's church, in Chesterton, Porter county, Ind., is a native of the province of Westphalia, Prussia, was born in February, 1841, and is a son of Theodore and Gertrude (Von Hannes) Von Schwedler. He received his education in Innsbruck, Lorraine and Rome, and was ordained priest August 12, 1869, at Fort

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Wayne, Ind., immediately upon his arrival in America. His first charge was at Union City, Randolph county, Ind., and next at St. Joseph's church, Logansport; thence was transferred to St. Mary's church, at Fort Wayne, and thence to Decatur, Adams county, where his labors were blessed by his success in erecting St. Mary's church. In 1877 Father Von Schwedler left the Fort Wayne diocese and attached himself to the Peoria diocese, of Illinois, and was stationed at Gilman, where he erected a new church and remained until 1879, when he was assigned to St. Boniface congregation, at Peoria, which he organized and erected a church, school and a brick parsonage, and remained until 1892, when he rejoined the Fort Wayne diocese and was assigned to Monroeville, Ind., where he officiated until 1895, when he was placed in charge of the pastorate of St. Anthony, Benton county; there he remained until 1898, when he was given his present charge of St. Patrick's, at Chesterton, Porter county. Here he has labored as assiduously as elsewhere, and already has in course of erection a brick school-building, 73 x 54 feet and two stories high.

Father Von Schwedler is an accomplished and eloquent divine, and is well fitted both by nature and education for his sacred calling.

JOHN W. VOLPERT, a very prominent citizen and business man of Peru, Ind., was born in Louisville, Ky., May 21, 1863, a son of Casper and Christine (Solomon) Volpert, natives of Bayern, Germany. These parents came to America in 1845, and first located in New Albany, Ind., where they resided until 1851, when they removed to Louisville, Ky., where for a time the father was engaged in stonemasonry, and later entered the dry-goods trade. In 1891 the mother came to Peru on a visit to her son, our subject, who had already made his home here, and on this visit was taken ill and died, in the faith of the Catholic church, December 31, of that year. The father then relinquished his business in Louisville, Ky., and in 1892 also came to Peru, where he has since resided, retired from active business and making his home at the dwelling of subject. Of the eight children born to Mr. and Mrs. Volpert,

seven grew to maturity, are still living, and are all faithful Catholics.

John W. Volpert attended a parochial school in Louisville, Ky., until thirteen years old, and then apprenticed himself to a horseshoer for four years; he then worked at the trade for six years as a journeyman, and on March 29, 1886, came to Peru, Ind., and entered into a partnership with a Mr. Hays, for the purpose of conducting a general blacksmithing and horseshoeing business, which has been continued with the most decided success until the present time.

Mr. Volpert was united in marriage, October 29, 1887, with Miss Mary A. Spitznagle, born at Logansport, Ind., and this marriage has been crowned by the births of six children, in the following order: John W., Frank C., Anna M., Lucille A., Fidailes and Loretta, all members of St. Charles Borromeo Catholic congregation.

As a Catholic Knight of America, Mr. Volpert is quite prominent, being chief of staff of the uniform rank, the second highest office in the United States; he held the rank of brigadier-general under Maj.-Gen. Leo J. Kadeske for two years, and was reappointed by Maj.-Gen. J. W. Nordhaus, successor to Kadeske, in 1897, for two years longer; he also held the position of vice-president and trustee of St. Joseph's branch No. 42, C. K. of A., and was delegate to the convention of the knights held at Columbus, Ind., in 1896. In 1898 he was appointed by Supreme President Edward Feeney as organizer of Catholic Knights, and in the performance of the duties pertaining to this position has been both energetic and successful, being the organizer of the Volpert zouaves, company A, of this order, and is at present a member of branch No. 42, St. Charles commandery, in which he has served as president and financial secretary.

REV. JAMES JOSEPH WADE, the venerated pastor of St. Bridget's church at Liberty, Union county, Ind., was born in Madison, Jefferson county, August 9, 1867, a son of Thomas and Julia (Quinn) Wade.



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Thomas Wade, the father, was born in county Galway, Ireland, in 1839, in the parish of Kilkern, and came to America in 1866, landing in the city of New York, whence he came directly to Indiana, located in Madison, where for twenty-five years he was engaged in the seed business, and then removed to Indianapolis, whence he was called to his long home in 1893, dying in the faith of the Catholic church, of which he had been a life-long member. He had been married, in Madison, Ind., in 1866, at St. Michael's church, to Miss Julia Quinn, by the Rev. Father Dupontavice, and the marriage was blessed with the following-named children: James Joseph, the subject of this memoir; Patrick, now of St. Louis, Mo.; Martin, of Cincinnati, Ohio; Ella, of Indianapolis, Ind.; Mary, wife of James Kelly, of the same city, and Thomas, deceased, his death occurring in the Railroad city, as the capital of this state has been christened.

Rev. James J. Wade attended the parochial schools of Madison until fifteen years of age, and in 1882 entered St. Meinrad college, where he studied the classics five years. In 1888 and 1889, he studied philosophy at Bardstown, Ky., after which he took a course in theology in St. Mary's of the West, at Cincinnati, Ohio. He was ordained priest at Sts. Peter and Paul's chapel, Indianapolis, Ind., June 24, 1893, by Right Rev. Bishop Chatard, and immediately thereafter was appointed assistant pastor of St. John's church of that city, and filled the position until July 25, 1895, when he was appointed to his present charge, where he has manifested much zeal in promoting the welfare of his congregation, in whose hearts he holds as warm a place as it is possible for any pastor to hold, and whose spiritual welfare is his constant care and study.

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**M**ICHAEL C. WADE, manufacturer of trunks and dealer in travelers' supplies, at No. 327 Market street, Logansport, is a native of New York city and was born June 7, 1849.

Patrick and Mary (Wallace) Wade, parents of Michael C., were born in county Wexford, Ireland, where they were reared and married, and shortly after the latter event came to the United

States. For a time they lived in New York city, and later in Albany, N. Y., where the mother passed away. About 1854 the family came to Indiana, locating in LaFayette, where the father was in the employ of the Wabash Railroad company. To Patrick and Mary Wade were born six children, four of whom died young, the two that reached maturity and who are still living being Mary, the wife of Valentine G. Dickhout, of Terre Haute, Ind., and Michael C., the subject of this biographical sketch. Patrick Wade next married a Mrs. McDonald, who bore him one son—John L., now a tailor of Independence, Kans. The death of Patrick Wade took place in Attica, Ind., in 1858, in the faith of the church of Rome.

Michael C. Wade, left an orphan at the age of nine years, was employed by farmers in the vicinity of LaFayette until fourteen years old, and then, in October, 1865, enlisted, child though he was, in company C, Seventy-second Indiana volunteer infantry, and fought at Big Shanty, Resaca, Kenesaw Mountain, Atlanta, Selma and with Sherman to the sea, in daily skirmishes for weeks. His brigade (Wilder's mounted infantry) was later stationed at Macon and at Atlanta, Ga., and at Chattanooga, Tenn., and was finally mustered out at Nashville in October, 1865, Mr. Wade being then a little over sixteen years of age, but sound in body and limb, with the exception of one finger, lost in battle.

After the war Mr. Wade returned to LaFayette, but in March, 1866, went west, where he was engaged in mining and other work until 1871, traversing, meanwhile, nearly the whole of the western states and territories. He then returned to Indiana, located in Terre Haute, there learned his trade of trunkmaking, and in 1876 came to Logansport and established the only shop then or now in the city devoted solely to this line of business. While in Terre Haute, Mr. Wade was united in marriage, October 8, 1874, by Rev. Father McEvoy, of St. Joseph's church, to Miss Susannah Smith, a native of Shelby county, Ohio, but no children have come to bless this union.

In politics a democrat, Mr. Wade takes great interest in local affairs, and for six years represented his party in the Third ward of Logansport, as a member of the city council. It was while he

was an incumbent of this responsible body, that the sewerage system of the city was founded, Mr. Wade being chairman of the committee on sewers and sewage, and it was also during his last term that the electric light system was adopted.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade are members of St. Joseph's church, at which they are punctual in their attendance, and to the support of which they liberally contribute of their means. Mr. Wade is also a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and of the Independent Order of Foresters, of the former of which order he has been county president four years. He has always been an industrious and useful citizen, has made all he is worth through his personal efforts, and now owns his place of business, combined with his residence, beside unimproved city property, and is a greatly respected gentleman, possessed of friends without number.

**PATRICK WADE**, one of the best-known business men of Madison, Ind., was born in county Galway, Ireland, March 6, 1842, a son of Martin and Ann (Burns) Wade, of whom the former came to America in 1849, and settled in Madison.

Martin Wade was reared a farmer, but on reaching Madison engaged at common laboring, as he was not a wealthy man at that time. But he was industrious and thrifty, and in 1850 was able to send for his wife and children. In 1858 he engaged in the feed trade and prospered greatly until 1882, when he was succeeded in the business by his son, Patrick, while he, himself, retired to private life. To his marriage with Miss Burns were born two children, Patrick and John, the latter being now a married man, with a large family, and doing a wholesale grain trade in Memphis, Tenn. Mrs. Ann Wade was called away September 19, 1872, at the age of seventy-two years, and Mr. Wade died November 18, 1891, in his seventy-fourth year. They were both devoted Catholics, and Mr. Wade was very liberal in his contributions from his ample means to the support of the church and its good work.

Patrick Wade was educated in St. Michael's school, and after finishing his studies assisted his father in business until 1881, when

he became a partner, and in 1882 succeeded his father as sole owner. April 26, 1864, he married Miss Celia Langan, a native of county Mayo, Ireland, and a daughter of Peter Langan, the ceremony taking place in St. Michael's church, Madison. The mother of Mrs. Wade died in Ireland very suddenly, just as the family were preparing to emigrate to the United States, but a short time afterward the remainder of the family set sail and reached Jennings county, Ind., prior to 1850. The father was a farmer, and died a faithful Catholic, his remains being interred in St. Catherine's cemetery, Jennings county, Ind. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Wade has been blessed with six children, born in the following order: Mary, Ella, Margaret, Martin, John and Anna.

Of the paternal uncles of Patrick Wade, Thomas lived for some years in Madison, then removed to Indianapolis, where he passed the remainder of his life, and, dying, left a large family, one son, James, being now a priest; Patrick, another uncle, died in San Francisco, Cal.; Stephen lives in Belleville, Canada, and Henry died in Australia.

Patrick Wade, the subject, is a democrat in politics, but has never sought office. For several years he has been a trustee of St. Michael's church, and has always been liberal toward its support. He is one of the original stockholders in Home Building association, No. 5, and for the past eighteen years has been a director. He owns several good business blocks, beside his pleasant residence at No. 419 West Main street, and he and family are among the most respected residents of the city of Madison.

REV. CHARLES J. WAGNER, pastor of St. Rupert's parish, in Yankeetown, Warrick county, is a native of Dubois county, Ind., was born October 30, 1867, and is the fifth in a family of seven children born to William and Barbara (Wigger) Wagner. His primary education was completed in the common schools, and in 1880 he entered St. Meinrad's college, in Spencer county, and there finished the philosophical and theological course of study, was graduated, and was ordained priest in 1890 by Bishop Louis

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M. Fink, O. S. B., D. D. His first work after ordination was as substitute at Argentine, Kans., in the fall of 1890, and was in this position for two months; thence was sent as priest to the Holy Angel Guardian church, Ottawa, Kans., and was there for three months.

On account of his health failing him, he took a release, went upon a European tour, and passed two years there. He returned to his native land August 14, 1893, and was assigned to St. Rupert's parish, his present charge, and with this work he has the mission of St. John the Baptist at Newburg, Ind., eight miles distant from St. Rupert's, with a membership of twenty-five families and a beautiful church, the property at Newburg being valued at \$3,500. He also has charge of St. Clement's mission at Boonville, Ind., which has a membership of twelve families. The church building at Boonville is valued at \$7,000. The number of families in St. Rupert's parish numbers thirty, and the attendance, 150 persons. Father Wagner erected, in 1893, the school-building, and the priest's home in 1894, and the value of his parish property is placed at \$4,000.

THOMAS R. WALKER, the prominent and well-known miller at Washington, Ind., of the firm of Walker, Norris & Co., was born at Dover Hill, Martin county, Ind., May 24, 1856, son of Thomas and Mary (Fox) Walker, the former a native of Taylor county, Ky., and the latter the widow of John Halbert. There were five children in this family: Thomas R. and William E. (twins), Henry H., George A. and Susan.

Our subject was only three years of age when his parents moved to Loogootee, Ind. He received the advantages of the parochial schools until he was sixteen years of age, when he took a course at the Cecilian college in Hardin county, Ky. He remained on the homestead at Loogootee until August of 1895, when he moved to Washington and purchased a third interest in the prosperous milling business of Walker, Norris & Co. This firm has operated most successfully one of the best mills in this section of the state, manufacturing flour, feed, etc. It has a

capacity of 100 barrels a day, and the superior quality of its products commands for it a very extensive trade of much more than local importance. Mr. Walker is superintendent and manager of the institution, and possesses great capability in this direction. He is a substantial citizen and a gentleman of much personal worth. His is one of the most prominent families in St. Simon's parish, the church profiting largely by reason of his liberality and activity in all matters pertaining to the material welfare of the parish. He owns his residence property on State street, and his family is very comfortably situated in this city of pleasant homes. He is a member of the Y. M. I. Politically, he affiliates with the democratic party, and, though not an active worker, gives his thoughtful attention to politics and to local affairs generally.

On October 26, 1880, Mr. Walker was married at Loogootee to Miss Jennie E. Reynolds, who was born at that place June 11, 1861, the daughter of Thomas and Esther (Jeke) Reynolds. This union has been blessed by the birth of the following children: Edward E., Louis A. and John Earl.

JOHN B. WALLACE, a popular man of business in Indianapolis, is a native of Shoals, Martin county, Ind., and was born March 1, 1853, but at a tender age was bereft of his father.

Stephen and Kate (Gormley) Wallace, parents of John B., were natives of Ireland, and had born to their union three children, viz: John B., Stephen, who died in young manhood, and Kate, who is the wife of George Beemam, and resides in her native village of Shoals. Stephen, the father, was a railroad employee, and died at Shoals in January, 1861, at the early age of thirty-six years, a faithful member of the Catholic church, and his widow subsequently married Christopher Walls. She survived until November 27, 1887, when she, also, was called away in the same faith.

The early years of the childhood of John B. Wallace were passed at the parental home, but at the death of his father he was placed in the orphans' asylum near Vincennes, Ind., where he was educated and prepared for life's struggle. In later youth and early

manhood he was variously employed, but principally was in charge of the bridges of the Ohio & Mississippi Railway company between Washington and Seymour, Ind. In 1883 he came to Indianapolis and entered the employ of the National Malleable Castings company, with which he passed seven years as a molder.

The marriage of Mr. Wallace took place in Indianapolis, in 1885, to Miss Margaret Wisbach, a native of Dubois county, Ind., where she was educated and grew to womanhood. This marriage has been blessed with three children, named, in order of birth, Katie, Stephen and William, all still living to brighten the home of the parents.

In 1894 Mr. Wallace embarked in business on Holmes avenue, near the shops in which seven years of his life were passed, and, naturally, has a large share of the patronage of his old-time associates. His place is neat, clean and attractive, and is quiet and orderly, as no person is allowed to become intoxicated on the premises. A gentleman himself, he sees to it that no person shall act otherwise than such in his presence or in the presence of his patrons. He is a man of fine physique and appearance, and is as affable as he is athletic. He and family are strict in their religious duty, and he is never behindhand in his contributions to the good work of the church.

HON. PETER WALLRATH, editor and proprietor of Das Sternenbanner, Logansport, Ind., was born August 29, 1844, at Bockum, by Crefeld, Rhine Prussia, a son of Zaccheus and Catherina Wallrath, parents of nine children. The mother died in her native land in 1857, February 18, and fourteen days later, the eldest daughter, Elizabeth. One daughter, Margaret, became a sister of the Catholic order of the Infant Jesus, and died in a convent in Aix La Chapelle. The remainder of the family all subsequently came to the United States.

Zaccheus Wallrath, the father, was a blacksmith by trade, was also a soldier in the Prussian army, and on coming to America lived for a short time in Evansville, Ind., and then went to San

Francisco, Cal., whither some of his children had preceded him, and there died September 6, 1888, at the age of seventy-eight years, and in the faith of the Catholic church. Of the children, Gertrude is married to Henry Kersting and resides in St. Louis, Mo.; Michael is a priest in the diocese of Sacramento, Cal., where he has been stationed twenty-seven years; Peter is the subject of this memoir; John was a teacher in East St. Louis, Ill., but died in Oshkosh, Wis., leaving one daughter; Joseph is a gardener in California; William is a professor in the Jesuit university in Bombay, India; Catherine was married to Martin Maher, who was a prominent dry-goods merchant in San Francisco, but died December 19, 1889; his widow still resides in San Francisco, superintending the education of her two sons.

Hon. Peter Wallrath was trained to teaching in the Imperial Catholic Teachers' seminary at Kempen on the Rhine, from which he graduated at the age of twenty-two years, his diploma being signed by the faculty and also by the archbishop of the diocese of Cologne, which entitled him to teach the Catholic religion. He was for one year teacher in Essen, where the famous Krupp steel guns are manufactured. Mr. Wallrath also served in the war of 1866, but, being a graduate of the seminary, was detained six weeks only.

Mr. Wallrath arrived in New York in the spring of 1867, whence he went directly to Cincinnati, where his eldest brother was a student in Mount St. Mary's seminary. A few weeks later, at the recommendation of Father Tabbe, afterwards bishop of Covington, he was appointed teacher at St. Alphonse church, near Norwalk, Ohio. He there met Miss Catherine Porzeld, a native of Germany, who was brought to America when an infant, her parents settling in Ohio in 1846. February 18, 1868, this lady became his wife, and immediately after marriage, at the solicitation of Father Viefhaus, of Evansville, Mr. Wallrath came to Indiana and taught school in Haubstadt, Gibson county. Two years later he went to California, purchased a farm, which he sold three years later, then returned east, and for a year taught school in O'Fallon, Ill., then taught for sixteen years at Germantown, Clinton county, in the same state, and also filled the position of



organist for Very Rev. William Clause, of Belleville, and vicar of the diocese.

In 1891 Mr. Wallrath came to Logansport and purchased the *Deutsche Zeitung*, which had been established by John Day in 1881, but the name of which Mr. Wallrath changed to that of *Das Sternenbanner*, enlarged it to a twelve-page six-column, and devoted it to the advocacy of the principles of the democratic party and to the interests of the Catholic church, as well as to the circulation of general news. It is the only journal printed in the German language in Cass county, and has a wide patronage throughout the state, being most excellently edited.

In 1896 Peter Wallrath was elected by the democratic party as joint representative for the counties of Cass and Miami to the Indiana legislature, and has here ably, faithfully and nobly performed his duty. A certain work, published by Harper Brothers, of New York, bearing the title of *The Story of Liberty*, which strongly reflected against Catholicism, had found its way into the public school libraries of Indiana at the instance of the board of directors of the Teachers' Reading circle. Mr. Wallrath, becoming aware of this fact, introduced a general resolution in the legislature prohibiting the circulation or the depositing of any and all anti-Catholic publications in the schools, and this resolution passed through the lower house by a vote of seventy-five to twelve, and through the upper house by forty-four to two votes, the result being that *The Story of Liberty*, and all other works of its class, were immediately withdrawn from the schools. In commenting on this action, the *Catholic Columbian*, published at Columbus, Ohio, in its issue of March 27, 1897, remarks:

In removing *The Story of Liberty* from the curriculum of the public schools of Indiana, Hon. Mr. Wallrath has made a move in the right direction for Catholics and established a precedent that should be followed in every state in the Union. Let our national *Story of Liberty*—one day, perhaps, to be written by an unbiased pen—record the fact that religious as well as political liberty is justly the boast of our land.

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Wallrath has been blessed with seven children, the eldest of whom died in infancy, and its remains

lie interred in the cemetery of St. James church, Gibson county, Ind. Of the survivors, Mary is now a member of the Dominican Sisters, and is teaching school in Portland, Ore.; Lizzie is assistant editor of and bookkeeper for *Das Sternenbanner*; Henry was a compositor on the same journal, but, at the call of the president, joined the volunteers and serves in company M, One Hundred and Sixtieth regiment Indiana volunteers, for the liberation of Cuba; Anna and Maggie reside under the parental roof. The youngest son, Frank, is a student at the Josephinum in Columbus.

The family are all devout Catholics, and Mr. Wallrath has been a member of the Catholic Knights of America since December 24, 1881. For eight years he was its state president for Illinois, and for two years has been state president for Indiana, and is now supreme delegate for the C. K. of A. in Indiana. He is also a member of St. Joseph's Benevolent society at Logansport, has always taken an active part in the affairs of the church and its sodalities, and on Catholic day, in Buffalo, N. Y., in 1892, was selected to deliver an address, at Music hall, on Catholic education.

Hon. Peter Wallrath has made his way at all times and through all circumstances, and now owns his business plant and residence at Nos. 207 and 209 Market street. He is very popular as a citizen, not only being highly esteemed by the members of his church but by the public of the city of Logansport at large.

**J**AMES WALSH, of No. 622 Stevens street, Indianapolis, is one of the early residents of St. Patrick's parish and was a member of the first board of trustees of the church after Father O'Donaghue became its pastor.

James Walsh was born in county Mayo, Ireland, in 1841, a son of Peter and Ellen (Campbell) Walsh, the latter being of Scotch ancestry, and both of whom passed their lives in county Mayo. Mr. Walsh has also Scotch blood in his veins, his grandfather having been born in the north of Ireland, where the predominating population of to-day descends from the intermarriage of natives of Scotland and Ireland, drawn together through religious perse-

cution of the Scotch by English tyrants; and the term Scotch-Irish is also frequently applied to children born in Ireland of pure Scotch parentage. The grandfather of James Walsh, however, being a good Catholic was harried from his home in the north of Ireland by Orangemen, adherents of the Protestant religion, and members of a society named in honor of William III, of England (Prince of Orange). The grandfather's house was burned to the ground, and in order to avoid further persecution he fled to county and there founded the family of which the subject is to-day a worthy representative, and the only one in America, although he has a half-sister still living in county Mayo, the two being the only survivors of the family.

In 1865 James Walsh came to America, went direct to Cleveland, Ohio, where friends of the family were living, and in 1870 came to Indianapolis, where he was engaged in various employments until 1874, since when he has been an employee of Hollweg & Reese. In 1879 he married, in this city, Miss Catherine O'Farrell, a native of Ohio, but who was reared from childhood in Indianapolis, her father, Fergus O'Farrell, having been one of the early Catholic settlers of the city. To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Walsh have been born eight children, viz: Francis J., James E., John A., Mary H., George A., Louis M., Raymond B. and Charles F.—all of whom were baptized in St. Patrick's church with the exception of the eldest, who was baptized at St. John's.

Mr. Walsh is a faithful Catholic, as were his ancestors for generations before him, and for many years has been a member of the Men's sodality of the blessed Virgin Mary. He is a free contributor to the maintenance of St. Patrick's church, and he and family are among the most respected residents of the parish.

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**M**ICHAEL WALLNER, superintendent of the Bedford Quarry company's mill, was born in Bavaria, Germany, March 23, 1867, and in 1881 came to America with his mother, who settled in Bedford, Ind.

Here young Wallner, at the age of sixteen years, became quite

famous as a spun-glass blower, and many families in Bedford have at this time numerous fancy articles of spun glass created by his art. Here, also, although small of stature, he learned stonecutting. His first work as a journeyman was in the construction of the Louisville & Southern railroad, and later he became foreman of a stonecutting establishment in Louisville, Ky., which position he held four years. He then worked in Evansville and LaFayette, Ind., and Detroit, Mich., as foreman, and in 1891 returned to Bedford, Ind., and organized the Bedford Cut Stone company, of which he was the manager, his partner being William Evans. They built the Catholic church in Bedford; the Stone City Bank building; furnished many thousand cubic feet of cut stone for the famous Vanderbilt mansion in North Carolina; built a large stone vault in New Orleans, La.; the Central avenue Methodist Episcopal church in Indianapolis and the vault in the cemetery; a business block, and also the residence of L. Ross, in Rochester, N. Y.; the county jail in Petersburg, Ind., and numerous other stone structures, employing fifty stonecutters and a small army of laborers. In 1894 Mr. Wallner sold his interest in this company to J. A. Hughes and entered upon the duties of his present position.

Mr. Wallner was united in marriage, in 1892, with Miss Mary Akers, a native of Louisville, Ky., and a daughter of Frank and Mary Jane Akers, who were residents of Louisville at the time of this marriage, and to this union have been born three children, viz: Michael, February 6, 1893; Marie, February 11, 1894 (died July 23, 1896), and Frank, born March 18, 1896. Mr. Wallner owns a pleasant residence at the corner of Thirteenth and L streets, where he dispenses a liberal hospitality to a large circle of warm and sincere friends.

Cajetan Wallner, father of subject, was born in Klingenberg, Germany, December 21, 1831, came to the United States March 5, 1880, and to Bedford, Ind., in 1881. His brother, Felix, and his sister, Caroline, married to Joseph Gump, reside in the state of Washington; another sister, Anna, is married to John Gump, and lives in Milwaukee, Wis. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Anna Miedle, died March 27, 1889, the mother of five children, viz: Michael, the subject of this memoir; Anna, born

October 4, 1869—died April 28, 1897; Cajetan, born July 14, 1872, and now a stonemason in Bedford; Katie, born October 9, 1874, and Rose, born January 6, 1877. The family were all reared in the Catholic faith, and have ever contributed liberally toward its advancement.

**JAMES C. WALSH**, grocery-merchant, doing business on the corner of Virginia avenue and Dougherty streets, Indianapolis, Ind., is a native of county Roscommon, Ireland, and was born in the month of January, 1830. He was reared to manhood in Ireland, and there remained until 1866, in April of which year he came to the United States, locating for a period of eighteen months at Anderson, Ind., and from there, in 1868, moved to Indianapolis. At the former place, he was first employed on a construction train, and afterward became a teacher in the Catholic schools of that city, under the jurisdiction of Father Crawley.

In the spring of 1867, Mr. Walsh secured a position as baggage master at Union City, Ind., but soon resigned the place to accept employment in the machine shops of the "Bee Line" R. R. at Indianapolis. After remaining with the above company for some time, he became salesman in a wholesale and retail wall paper and carpet house in the Capital city, in which capacity he continued about seven years.

During the legislative session of 1874, Mr. Walsh served as journal clerk, and, for some time after adjournment, worked in the office of the Central Catholic Advocate, a church paper, published by L. H. Bell, of Louisville, Ky. His next position was that of traveling salesman for M. O'Connor & Co., of Indianapolis, with whom he remained for a period of five years, since the expiration of which time he has been engaged in the mercantile business, as a dealer in groceries.

Mr. Walsh was married in the land of his nativity, May 22, 1857, to Miss Margaret Lavin, of county Leitrim, and is the father of three children, the eldest being Joseph Marie, a Sister of Providence at St. Mary's of The Woods; the second, Thomas, and the third, Maggie, are still with their parents.

The church relations of Mr. Walsh and family were for many years with St. John's parish, but of late they worship with the St. Patrick congregation. He served as trustee of his church for some time, and has otherwise been actively identified with charitable and religious movements. Mrs. Walsh is a member of the Altar society of St. Patrick's and Miss Maggie belongs to the Young Ladies' sodality.

**PATRICK B. WALSH**, a representative business man of Terre Haute, of which he is a native son, was born at the old family residence, No. 815 North Fifth street, November 25, 1864, to James and Johanna (Breen) Walsh, natives, respectively, of counties Limerick and Tipperary, Ireland, but who were married in Terre Haute, in which city both died, the father in 1883, and the mother in December, 1889. For more than twenty-five years James Walsh represented the great lumber interests of T. B. Johns, and traveled extensively throughout Indiana and a number of other states, doing a large and lucrative business. He and family were members of St. Joseph parish, Terre Haute, and for quite a number of years he served as presiding officer of the Hibernian Benevolent society of this city.

Patrick B. Walsh was reared in the old Fourth, now the Sixth ward, and received his educational training in the public and parochial schools, which he attended at intervals until his sixteenth year, when he began life upon his own responsibility as clerk in a shoe store, in which capacity he continued two years. Later he spent some time in the rolling-mills of Terre Haute, but this work not being to his liking, he abandoned the same and accepted a position with the grocery firm of Pierce & McGrew, with whom he spent two years, becoming familiar with the business in the meantime. In 1876 he engaged in the grocery trade for himself at the corner of Fourth and Chestnut streets, but later removed his stock to the corner of Lafayette and Third streets, where he did a thriving business until locating at Nos. 305, 307 and 309 North Fourth street, which he subsequently disposed of to his partner, agreeing to remain out of the business for three years, for the latter's interest.

This time Mr. Walsh spent keeping books and collecting for his brother-in-law, but at the expiration of the period, in 1896, he opened his present grocery business in the Rose Dispensary building, corner of Seventh and Cherry streets, where he now operates one of the largest retail establishments of the kind in the city.

Mr. Walsh was married June 6, 1891, to Miss Winifred Connelly, who for seven years was a teacher in the public schools of Terre Haute; she was born in this city in the year 1867, and is the daughter of John Connelly. Mr. and Mrs. Walsh have had no children born to them, but are rearing the following: Winifred, John, Margaret, Mamie, James and Cornelius, who were born to Mr. and Mrs. John Connelly.

Mr. Walsh was elected in May, 1892, as a democrat, to represent the Sixth ward in the city council, where he has exerted a potent influence in bringing about important municipal legislation; he was re-elected in May, 1896, and at this time is serving on the committees on streets and alleys, fire and finance. He and family are active members of St. Joseph parish; he belongs to the A. O. H., of which he is serving as county president, and is a leading member of the Jefferson club of Terre Haute.

THOMAS WALSH, deceased, one of the pioneer members of St. Anthony's parish, Haughville (now part of Indianapolis), was born in county Galway, Ireland, on the 10th day of December, 1836. His father, Patrick Walsh, also a native of the aforesaid county, died when Thomas was a small child, and when he had reached the age of twelve years the widowed mother removed to Staffordshire, England. Thomas attended school until fifteen years old, and being remarkably intelligent for one of his age, made rapid and substantial progress in his various studies. In his sixteenth year, he was put to the trade of lockpattern making, at which he served an apprenticeship until twenty-one, and followed his chosen calling during the remaining years of his life.

Mr. Walsh was married April 23, 1860, in the church of Sts. Peter and Paul's, Wolverhampton, England, to Eliza Corran, a

native of county Roscommon, Ireland, born in the month of January, 1842. Mrs. Walsh's parents were John and Bridget Corran, who lived in their native Ireland all their lives. Mrs. Walsh was the only child of her parents, as her husband was of his.

In the fall of 1865, Mr. Walsh came to America, leaving his family in the old world until such a time as he could send for them. Landing in New York city, he soon afterward found employment at his trade in New Britain, Conn., and four years later sent for his wife and two children, who, in due time, joined him at that place. In 1881, the family removed to Cleveland, Ohio, thence four years later came to Indianapolis, where Mr. Walsh continued working at his trade until his death, which occurred the 7th of September, 1891.

Mr. Walsh, as a pioneer of St. Anthony parish, was a liberal contributor of his means towards its prosperity. He was possessed of a good education and much general intelligence, and his death was an event greatly deplored not only by the church, of which he was for so many years a valued member, but by all who knew him. His widow and six children survive him, and one child died in England. Thomas P., the eldest, is a resident of Nawgatuck, Conn. Mrs. Lizzie L. Colbert, the second in order of birth, is also a resident of the same place; Agnes, the third, is a graduate of the Indianapolis high school and a successful teacher in the public schools of the city; Nellie, also a graduate of the high school, is employed as a bookkeeper; Alice attended the same school until the senior year, and is now a stenographer; Frank J., the youngest, is still a student. All the family are worthy members of Father Dowd's congregation, and are among the most faithful parishioners of St. Anthony's. Mrs. Walsh resides at No. 175 Sheffield avenue, where she owns property and is highly respected by all her neighbors.

CHARLES A. WALTER, a prominent merchant and well-known citizen of Huntington, Ind., was born in canton Berne, Switzerland, February 19, 1852, a son of John A. and Catherine



(Kohler) Walter, who were, it is hardly necessary to say, natives of the same canton.

John A. Walter was born in 1812, was educated in the Catholic parochial schools, which he attended until fourteen years of age, following which he filled out the usual term of three years in the military service of the republic. After being discharged from this inevitable duty, he became secretary for a foreign nobleman, and for six years traveled with him extensively, visiting France, Germany, Italy, and even into Africa. On his return to Switzerland, he married, in 1845, Miss Kohler, and in 1855 came, with his wife and children, to America, landing in New York city, whence he came to Adams county, Ind., with no delay, and engaged in farming in French township. Here he lost his wife in 1891, and here his own death occurred in October, 1892. Both were devout Catholics, and their remains were interred in the Catholic cemetery in Bluffton, in the adjoining county of Wells.

Charles A. Walter attended the public schools of French township, Adams county, Ind., from early childhood (having been a babe in arms when brought here) until seventeen years of age, assisted his father on the home farm during this interval, and afterward until he reached the age of twenty-two years, when he started on his business career in life by entering Komblieth's clothing store in Bluffton, where he was employed for five years, and thus secured a good practical insight of business affairs. He then came to Huntington and formed a partnership in the drug trade, under the firm-name of Jaquemai & Walter, which was carried on until 1883, when the firm name was exchanged for that of Walter & Eizenhauer, but this firm was dissolved in 1887, and Mr. Walter remained quiescent, as far as business was concerned, until January 1, 1889. He then traveled as a salesman, handling perfumery, etc., for two years, his employer being E. N. Leighton, and next traveled one year for Clarke Bros. & Co., lamp manufacturers, of New Jersey. In 1892 he represented, on the road, Peter Van Schaack & Sons, druggists of Chicago, and in 1893 returned to Huntington, Ind., engaged in the drug business on his own account, and this he has since conducted with satisfactory results.

The marriage of Mr. Walter took place September 29, 1884,

to Miss Cecilia Moffitt, Rev. Father Guetheit performing the ceremony, and this union has been blessed with five children, viz: Clara (deceased), Helen, Frank (deceased), Gertrude and Anna. In politics Mr. Walter is a democrat, and in 1886 served one term in the town council. The family are devout Catholics and are highly respected by the entire community.

**F**REDERICK WALTERMANN, a retired business man of Richmond, Ind., was born in Glane, Germany, April 21; 1827, a son of Henry and Catherine Waltermann, natives of the same province.

Henry Waltermann was born in 1791, and, after being duly educated, engaged in the grocery business, which he followed until his death, in his native land, in 1866. To his marriage with Catherine Alberts, in 1820, were born five children, viz: Casper, who died in St. Louis, Mo; Matthew, who died in Chicago, Ill.; Elizabeth, wife of Henry Miller, of Richmond, Ind.; Catherine, married to George Kullenbach, also of Richmond, and Frederick, the subject of this memoir. Several of the family came to America at various times after the death of the father, and the death of the mother took place in Richmond, Ind., in 1885.

Frederick Waltermann, the subject of this sketch, however, came to the United States in 1852, landed in New Orleans, La., and thence went to Cincinnati, Ohio, by way of the rivers, and in the latter city worked for two months in a cabinetmaking establishment. In 1853 he came to Richmond, Ind., and was here employed for a year as a laborer on the C., H. & D. railway, and also for a short time in the Richmond paper mill. In 1855 he engaged in the grocery business, from which he retired in 1869 with a competency.

The marriage of Mr. Waltermann took place in Richmond, July 3, 1855, to Miss Hannah Brokamp, who came to the United States in 1841, in company with her parents, who located in Richmond. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Merl. This union has been blessed with seven children, viz: Joseph, of

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Helena, Mont. : Henry, Matthias, Herman, Albert and William, of Richmond, Ind., and Charles, deceased. For forty-three years Mr. Waltermann has been a consistent member of St. Andrew's church, of which his wife is also a communicant, and to which he contributes freely of his means. The children have all been reared faithful Catholics, and trained to follow the footsteps of their father, who has led a life of industry, and whose business integrity was never impugned, and whose social standing is with the better class of the residents of Richmond.

REV. E. P. WALTERS (deceased).—In 1883, after the appointment of the then pastor, Rev. Joseph Rademacher, to the see of Nashville, Tenn., Rev. E. P. Walters succeeded to the pastorate of Lafayette, Ind.

Father Walters was born in Jersey City, N. J., March 10, 1839. After his academical course he pursued his theological studies at St. Mary's college, Perry county, Mo., and afterward at St. Vincent's, Cape Girardeau, Mo. Adopted by Bishop Grace for the diocese of St. Paul, Minn., the time of his ordination was set for the month of January, 1863. At that early date there existed no railroads on the route from Missouri to Minnesota. The river in part, and in part the stage coach, furnished the means of transportation, but the state of the river prevented further journeying by boat than as far as La Crosse, Wis. At La Crosse the travelers took the stage coach for St. Paul. For two consecutive days, to his own great discomfort, but in his own amiable yielding to the comfort of some more fortunate passengers, he rode on the outside of the coach. The inclemency of the season and the long exposure brought on an attack of fever and ague, and he remained at St. Paul suffering from this enfeebling disease for four months. His ill health compelled the indefinite postponement of his ordination.

Advised by Bishop Grace to seek relief by journeying to one of the older states not subject to visitations of a disease which seems peculiar to pioneer settlements, and provided with a letter of recommendation from him to Bishop Carroll, of Covington,

Ky., the young man set out, in June, 1863, for his new destination. His journey brought him to Logansport, on his way, where he stopped for needed recuperation at the house of a friend. There he met Father Hamilton, who represented to him the needs of the diocese of Fort Wayne, and urged him to go no further. Bishop Luers, on a visit to Logansport, seconded the views of Father Hamilton, and, Mr. Walters' health now being re-established, he went to the seminary of St. Michael, Pittsburg, Pa., for a few months, to prepare for ordination. Ordered to Fort Wayne early in the year 1864, he was there ordained by Bishop Luers on the 15th of May in that year.

In 1865, on the return of Bishop Luers from Rome, Father Walters was made his secretary, and, to allow the vicar-general, Father Benoit, to make a visit to his native France, Father Walters succeeded him in the administration of the affairs of the cathedral. During the year 1865, Father Walters put in the high altar of the cathedral, and the side altars, and in 1866 made a tour through the state to raise money for the establishment of the orphan asylum at Rensselaer.

In January, 1868, he was sent to take temporary charge of St. Bernard's church, Crawfordsville, for three months; but such was the kindness and consideration toward him of all classes of citizens, that he willingly cast his lot with them, and remained the pastor of St. Bernard's ten years. In that time he freed the church debt to the amount of nearly \$4,000, built the new St. Bernard's church, added twenty acres to the cemetery, and provided a comfortable home and school for the Sisters of the Holy Cross, partly out of his own means.

Urged now to fill the vacant pastorate of St. Vincent's, Logansport, he was not unwilling to renew his relations with a people who had so befriended and appreciated him in the past, and he took charge of the congregation on the 16th of May, 1878. He soon brought the church out of a burdensome debt, and made the long delayed erection of a pastoral residence a reality.

On the death of Father Noll at LaFayette, Father Walters was offered the pastorate of St. Mary's in that city, but declined it. Offered it again, on the consecration of Father Rademacher as

bishop of Nashville, Father Walters, under the strong urgency of Bishop Dwenger, took charge of St. Mary's on the 16th of June, 1883. His successful labors there are described at length in the chapter on the history of that church.

In the year 1886, Father Walters accompanied Bishop Dwenger, at his request, to the third plenary council of Baltimore, as the bishop's theologian.

It is pleasant to be able to say truthfully that Father Walters was appreciated by his parishioners; that, with them, his good qualities, social and ministerial, found ready recognition, and that by all, old and young, he was sincerely beloved. His general popularity found pleasing demonstration on the occasion of his silver jubilee, May 15, 1889, which was celebrated in a manner which reflected the wide esteem in which the rector of St. Mary's was held. The societies gave a grand parade, solemn high mass was celebrated with grand sacred music and profuse sanctuary decorations. The occasion was honored by friends who came from all over this and adjoining dioceses, among them the Rev. D. S. Phelan of St. Louis, his classmate, who delivered a masterly sermon. Striking features of this memorable celebration were the dedication of a magnificent window, memorial of the day, and another to the deceased pastors, a banquet for the visiting clergy, the presentation of numerous gifts, and the commemorative exercises, combining literary and musical features, under the direction of the Sisters of Providence, by the young ladies of St. Ignatius academy.

Extensive theological and general reading and repeated visits to Europe had given to the mind of Father Walters that wide and comprehensive scope which can be acquired in no other way, so that not only in religion but in reference to social and international interests he was an able counselor. He possessed literary ability of a very high order, and it was appreciated by the leading lights in Catholic literature.

After an illness of several months, Father Walters was called to his eternal reward on June 12, 1894, conscious to the end, and responding to the prayers for the dying read over him by Bishop Rademacher.

The funeral services were conducted over the remains of the

deceased pastor on Friday, June 15th, the bishops celebrating pontifical mass of requiem. Vicar-General Brammer, of Fort Wayne, and Very Rev. M. E. Campion, of Logansport, acted as deacons of honor; Father Broeckelman, of Elkhart, deacon of the mass; Father Charles B. Guendling, of Fort Wayne, subdeacon, and Father Dinnen, of Crawfordsville, master of ceremonies. Rev. P. O'Donaghue, of Indianapolis, delivered a masterly eulogy, paying a splendid and deserved tribute to the deceased pastor. The address was an embodiment of rare taste, and told of the deceased as he was. All the Catholic societies of LaFayette participated in the funeral procession to St. Mary's cemetery, where the body was laid to rest amid the prayers and tears of an immense concourse of people.

**VITAL WALZ**, a well-known manufacturer residing at Huntingburg, Ind., is a son of Valentine and Agnes (Fritch) Walz, both of Germany, in which country Vital was born April 29, 1829, and came to the United States in 1854. He located in Evansville, and engaged in the pottery business, which he has continued ever since. In 1880, he was first united in marriage to a Miss Fredericka Yeager, who died in 1887, and in the latter part of the same year he married Miss Mary Troxler. He has one son, Joe Walz, at Evansville. He and his wife are members of St. Mary's church, and freely contribute to the promotion of its good work, and are highly respected members of society.

**HENRY A. WALTERMANN** was born in Richmond, Ind., August 18, 1857. His father, Frederick Waltermann, was born April 21, 1827, in the town of Glane, Hanover, Germany, and his mother, whose maiden name was Hannah Brokamp, also a native of Hanover, was born December 10, 1832, in the town of Vorden. These parents came to the United States in 1855 and located at Richmond, Ind., where they still reside.

The immediate subject of this sketch received his educational

training in the St. Andrew's schools, in which he completed the prescribed course and then began work as coffin-finisher for J. M. Hutton & Co., by which firm he has ever since been employed. Mr. Waltermann is a skilful mechanic, a reputable citizen and a faithful member of the church, exemplifying by his daily life the true religion in which he was reared by God-fearing parents. He belongs to St. Andrew's parish, as do also the different members of his family, and for the past five years he has acted as janitor of the church; he is also a member of the St. Joseph society, in the deliberations of which he takes an active part.

Mr. Waltermann was married August 18, 1881, to Gertha Theobald, formerly of Mount Morris, N. Y., the ceremony being solemnized in St. Andrew's church by Father Seibertz. Mr. and Mrs. Waltermann are the parents of four children—Charles F. (deceased), Clara (deceased), Joseph A. and Helen.

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JOHN GORDON WARD, retired merchant of Indianapolis, is a native of Ireland, born in county Mayo, in the year 1826. He is the son of Anthony and Honora (Gordon) Ward, both natives of the above county. These parents lived and died in Ireland, the father reaching the ripe old age of ninety years, and the mother departing this life when eighty-five. Of their family of seven children, but two are living at the present time. Bridget died in the United States; Luke, Patrick, Anne and another died in the old country; Anthony resides in California, and the subject of this sketch is passing his declining years in the city of Indianapolis.

John G. Ward received his education in the Emerald isle, and, at the age of twenty, left his native heath for the new world. He came to the United States without means, further than a vigorous constitution and a well-formed purpose to succeed, and located first at Baltimore, Md., where, for a part of one year, he found employment as a laborer on a railroad. The year following, he worked for the government, getting out stone for the patent office at Washington, D. C., and after finishing his contract went to Columbus, Ohio, and engaged in the bakery business.

After a few years in that city, Mr. Ward went to Connersville, Ind., where he was similarly engaged for a short time, thence moved to Centerville, at which place he conducted a bakery for a period of ten years, meeting with good success the meanwhile. In 1872 he became a resident of Indianapolis, where he continued the bakery trade until 1884, at which time he opened a meat market, continuing the same until his retirement from active life, thirteen years later.

Mr. Ward was united in marriage in Columbus, Ohio, December 25, 1854, to Miss Catherine Gibney, a native of county Kildare, Ireland, a union blessed with the birth of four children—two living; these are Mary Theresa, wife of John H. Collins, and Nora Agnes, wife of W. Prescott. Agnes and Gordon both died in early childhood. The church relations of the family are with St. Patrick's parish. From his youth up Mr. Ward has been a devoted Catholic, a true son of the church, always attending faithfully and promptly to his religious duties, in which noble work he is heartily aided and encouraged by his wife and daughters, all of whom are most consistent Christians. He is a member of the C. K. A. society of the Sacred Heart and sodality of the Blessed Virgin, in all of which he takes an active interest.

In 1861 Mr. Ward entered the army, enlisting in company K, Thirty-fifth Indiana infantry, with which he shared the fortunes and vicissitudes of war for a period of three years in the army of the Cumberland. His military record is replete with duty well done; he participated in all the bloody battles in which his command was engaged and was absent from his company but six weeks during his three years of active service.

MRS. MARY WATSON, wife of James Watson, a well-known locomotive engineer of Indianapolis, is a native of the city of New York and a daughter of Thomas and Mary (Madden) Wall, both natives of county Cork, Ireland, but married in Boston, Mass., July 11, 1837. From Boston Mr. and Mrs. Wall removed to New York, and from New York to Cleveland, Ohio, and shortly



afterward came to Indianapolis, which was their home for about forty years. They had a family of nine children, viz: Edward, an engineer; John, a paper-hanger; Michael and Richard, engineers; Thomas, who lives with his aged mother; William, who lives in the south; Annie, wife of Thomas Riley; Mary, now Mrs. Watson, and Ellen, who was married to a Mr. Feary and died at the age of about thirty years. The father of this family, who was a railroad employee for many years, died in Indianapolis in 1881, in the faith of the Catholic church, and the mother, now aged eighty-four years, makes her home in this city with her son, Thomas.

The marriage of Miss Mary Wall to James Watson took place in Indianapolis January 6, 1863, in St. John's church, Very Rev. Bessonies officiating. This union has been blessed with four children, viz: Laura Ellen, who died at the age of five and a half years, James E., Mary and Daisy Anna. Of these, James E. is an engineer, resides in Indianapolis, and is married to Miss Ellen Riley, who has borne him two children, Marie and Willie. Mr. and Mrs. Watson have lived on Bates street ever since their marriage, and now own a comfortable and convenient home at No. 951, which they have occupied for the past sixteen years. Mrs. Watson and the children are all members of the church of the Holy Cross, and Mr. Watson, although not a member of the congregation, is a regular attendant at service and contributes freely to the support of the church, toward which he is favorably inclined, but abstains from communion with any religious body.

James Watson was born in England, June 19, 1839, a son of James and Mary (Higgins) Watson, who came to America when James was a lad of six or eight years of age. The father was a carpenter, and on coming to America first located in Elizabeth, N. J., coming thence to Shelbyville, Ind., where the father died at the early age of thirty years; the widowed mother resides in Greensburg, Ind., with her youngest child, Robert. Of her family of three children, Charlotte, the eldest born, is the wife of Robert Elliott, of Indianapolis; James is the second in order of birth, and Robert, of Greensburg, owns and operates a foundry and machine shop.

In 1856 Mr. Watson became apprenticed to the machinist's

trade, and after finishing his term of engagement went on the road as a fireman in the employ of the Big Four company, with which he had learned his trade. In 1861, he was placed in charge of an engine, and for thirty-six years has been employed by this company in this capacity—all this long period on passenger engines on the Chicago division of the road, being now the oldest engineer, in point of continuous service, in the employ of the company. This long period, also, has passed without the happening of any serious accident, which speaks well for the prudence, care and skill of Mr. Watson—qualities essential to the success of a locomotive engineer. Mr. Watson is an honored member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and no man in the service, employed in like capacity, stands higher in the esteem of his superiors and fellow-employees than he.

**PATRICK J. WARD**, a well-known citizen of St. Patrick's parish, Terre Haute, is a native of Vigo county, Ind., and was born July 11, 1843. He is a son of Michael and Ann (Curley) Ward, both natives of Ireland, who came to the United States in 1833, and were married in the city of Baltimore, Md. These parents resided in Maryland until about 1837, when they came to Indiana, locating in the county of Vigo, not far from Terre Haute. Here the father died September 30, 1892, and was laid to rest by the side of his faithful wife, who preceded him to the abode of saints October 10, 1879. Michael and Ann Ward had nine children, one of whom died in infancy, another at the age of thirteen, while the remainder of the family, consisting of five sons and two daughters, are still living in Vigo county.

Patrick J. Ward was reared on the home farm in Fayette township, attended the schools of his neighborhood at intervals during his minority, and remained under the parental roof until 1885, when he purchased a tract of land a short distance from Terre Haute, and engaged in the growing of small fruits. In 1895 he purchased land on East Poplar street, upon which he erected a comfortable home, where he still resides.

## CATHOLIC CHURCH OF INDIANA.

Mr. Ward is a self-made man in all the term implies. While receiving, in his youth, only a common-school education, he has always been a great student, and by close application has obtained a knowledge of the sciences, and is well versed in classic literature. In 1865 he obtained a license to teach in the common schools, and for the succeeding ten years was engaged in educational work in Vigo county, his reputation as a successful instructor being attested by the fact of his being frequently retained in the same locality. He also taught two terms after 1875, the last one being in 1877-78.

Mr. Ward and Jane McBarron entered into the holy bonds of wedlock November 17, 1873, the ceremony being solemnized in St. Mary's church, Vigo county, by Bishop de St. Palais. Mrs. Ward was born in Floyd county, Ind., July 14, 1846, and is the daughter of John and Mary (O'Daly) McBarron, and sister of Very Rev. Father E. F. McBarron, of Evansville. Mr. and Mrs. Ward have had one child, which died in infancy. For a number of years they were members of St. Mary's parish, but since 1885 have belonged to the parish of St. Patrick, Terre Haute.

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LOUIS LATOUR WATSON, distinguished as the oldest living native citizen of Vincennes, if not of Knox county, Ind., was born April 13, 1809, and is the youngest of a family of three sons and three daughters, being now its only surviving representative.

Robert G. Watson, father of Louis Latour Watson, was a native of Scotland, and was the only member of his family to come to America. He married, in Vincennes, Genevieve Latour, a widow, who had borne the maiden name of Corneyer, and was the mother by her first husband of six sons and one daughter. This lady died when Louis L., the subject, was about fifteen years of age, after which the latter made his home with relatives in Vincennes and the remainder of the children sought homes elsewhere.

Louis Latour Watson had but a meager opportunity for securing an education, but he succeeded in acquiring a fair knowledge of the rudiments of English, and in mathematics as far as the rule

of three, in the Sunday-school and the subscription schools of his youthful days, and on the death of his mother went to St. Louis, Mo., where he apprenticed himself to a tailor for six years, the expiration of his term bringing him to his majority. But he learned his trade thoroughly, and in 1832 returned to Vincennes, Ind., where he cast his first presidential vote for Andrew Jackson the same year. In 1833 he married Miss Lydia Fellows, a native of New York state, who bore her husband twelve children, and after a happy wedded life of over forty years died April 18, 1875. Six of these twelve children are still living, of whom Edward is the associate of his father in the management of the Depot hotel, Vincennes, which was erected by the father in 1869, and which is, beyond question, the best hostelry in the city; Willis H. is a resident of Aurora, Ill.; Robert G. is in Terre Haute, Ind.; Jane E. is now Mrs. Reynolds; Ruth F. is Mrs. Dr. Davenport, and Ida A. is the wife of Mr. McDonald, of Albany, N. Y.

After learning his trade and returning to Vincennes from St. Louis, Mr. Watson worked at tailoring four years, and then for three years held a partnership in the grocery trade, but this enterprise proved disastrous and he returned to the bench, industriously following his calling until appointed postmaster of Vincennes under the administration of Gen. Zachary Taylor, and this office he held over four years, performing the duties thereof in a most satisfactory manner. He was next appointed lock-master on the Wabash river, under the administration of the Wabash Navigation company, and this position he also held four years. He then became a stockholder in the Evansville & Terre Haute Railroad company, and assisted in the construction of the road, and after its completion was appointed a conductor, but, owing to the unsavory record of that class of officials in those early years, he asked to be relieved, and was finally appointed agent for the road at Vincennes. While filling this position he was approached by officials of the Ohio & Mississippi company, who offered him a position as agent for their company in adjusting floating claims against it, and had the satisfaction of settling within a few months every outstanding claim, except a few that were in litigation with heirs. He was then made paymaster and general purchasing agent for the same company

nine years, and as assistant supply agent four years longer. As an evidence of the company's appreciation of his success in settling up the claims mentioned, it presented him with \$1,000 in excess of his salary, and at the close of his twenty years' service the company gave him \$3,000, in addition to his liberal salary, in recognition of his faithful and conscientious discharge of duty. For the past twenty-seven years Mr. Watson has been engaged in the hotel business, and is one of the most popular landlords in the state. Although for the past few years he has intrusted the greater part of the activities to his son, he still keeps a supervising eye over the business, being exceptionally clear-headed for a gentleman of his advanced years.

Since childhood Mr. Watson has been a member of St. Francis Xavier congregation of Vincennes, having been baptized in this church more than eighty years ago. At that time, and for some years afterward, the church was supplied by a priest from Kentucky, there being no regular incumbent at Vincennes. Mr. Watson has been closely identified with the interests of this city ever since it was a village of 1,600 inhabitants, and when he first went to St. Louis there were but 6,000 souls in the now metropolis of the Mississippi valley. The life of this venerable gentleman has been a very active and exceedingly busy one, but he has always been very successful, with the exception of his grocery venture, in all his enterprises, and has accumulated a fine property. He is a gentleman of genial manners, counts his friends by thousands, and is passing the declining years of his well-spent life in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Reynolds, on Seventh street.

REV. PETER JOSEPH WEBER, pastor of St. John the Baptist's church, Earl Park, Benton county, Ind., was born in New York city, May 13, 1868, a son of Joseph and Regina (Augersbach) Weber, natives of Germany. At the age of four years he was taken to the old country by his parents and left in care of an uncle, a priest, and in this priest's house he was reared until fifteen years old. During this time he took private lessons

from his relatives in the classics, and then went to the gymnasium in Baden, whence after due preparation, he went to St. Nicholas, Belgium, pursued a course of philosophical study, and then entered the American college at Louvaine, in the same kingdom. There he was ordained priest January 6, 1891, returned to America the following April, and was appointed to a charge at Klaasville, Lake county, Ind., where he remained until August 1, 1895, when he was appointed to his present pastorate. Here he has done good and faithful work, having erected a new priest's residence, at a cost of \$5,500, and increased the membership of his congregation fully fifty per cent. This congregation is comprised of 100 families, of mixed nationalities—chiefly French, German and Irish. But Father Weber, who is a zealous priest and a gentleman of erudition and eloquence, holds them together in brotherly concord and constantly increases their numbers. He is earnest, progressive, and devoted to the good of the church, and indefatigable in his labors for the advancement of the temporal welfare of his flock, as well as for the more important consideration—their spiritual improvement and preparation for the life to come.

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**F**RANK J. WEHRLE, a prominent business man of Brazil, Clay county, Ind., was born September 3, 1849, in Newark, Ohio, and is a son of one of the early families connected with the church of the Annunciation of this city, being a son of the late Sebastian and Anna (Woolenschneider) Wehrle. The parents were natives of Germany, but came to America when young, and were united in marriage at Newark, Licking county, Ohio, from which county they came to Brazil, Ind., in 1870. Their marriage was blessed with eleven children, of whom five still survive, viz: George, of Carmi, Ill.; Frank J., the second in order of birth, is the subject of this memoir; Henry, the youngest of the family, is a resident of Brazil; the two surviving daughters, Mrs. Eliza Sowar and Mrs. Kate Turner, also have their home in this city.

Sebastian Wehrle, the father of this family, had learned the trade of shoemaking in early life and followed the boot and shoe

trade, after coming to Brazil, until his death, which occurred in February, 1874, his wife surviving until January, 1890. Both were esteemed as pious Catholics, who had done much toward promoting the prosperity of the parish of the Annunciation.

Frank J. Wehrle, whose name stands at the opening of this sketch, was associated with his father in business, and after the death of the latter continued in the trade, which he has raised, from comparative insignificance, to be one of the most important mercantile establishments in the city of Brazil. He is a gentleman of culture, is a liberal supporter of his church, and lends his best energies toward promoting the moral, educational and material growth of the community in which his mature years have been passed.

Brief mention may here be made with propriety of John M. Wehrle, a brother of Frank J., who was but a lad when brought to Brazil by his parents, in 1870. Here he grew to manhood, became prominent in business circles, and was especially popular with the democratic party, which elected him to the office of county clerk, in which capacity he was serving when he met his death by accident, August 18, 1895, under the most painful circumstances. He was a highly esteemed citizen, and his sad death was a source of grief and sorrowing by his family, consisting of a wife and four children, and a large circle of truly sincere friends.

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NICHOLAS WEINTRAUT, a well-to-do and respected farmer of Shelby county, Ind., is a native of Prussia, was born October 18, 1833, and is a son of Francis and Magdalena (Huschart) Weintraut.

Francis Weintraut, father of subject, was born March 11, 1797, was married in Arfweiler, Germany, in 1830, to Miss Huschart, who was born January 8, 1806. He was a farmer by occupation, and in 1846 came to America, landing December 24, and for two years lived at New Alsace, Dearborn county, Ind., and then removed to Franklin county, where he bought a farm of 120 acres, on which he and family resided from 1848 until 1864, when he removed to Morris, Ripley county, and in 1870 came to Shelby county, where

his death took place September 11, 1881, and that of his wife July 19, 1884, both dying in the faith of the Catholic church. The Weintraut family had long been identified with this holy church, and furnished to its service eleven priests. Of the twelve children born to Mr. and Mrs. Weintraut, eight died in Germany in childhood; of the four who reached mature years, Adeline lives in Oldenburg, Franklin county, Ind.; Nicholas is the subject of this biography; Magdalena resides in Indianapolis, and Mary is now deceased.

Nicholas Weintraut attended a parochial school in Germany until twelve years of age, and was a little over twelve years old when he arrived with his parents in America. He remained with and assisted his father until his marriage, by Rev. Father Stall, at New Alsace, Franklin county, Ind., November 9, 1852, to Miss Mary A. Schaaf, who was born in Alsace, Germany, October 13, 1832, a daughter of Nicholas and Barbara (Hallerd) Schaaf. After marriage, Mr. Weintraut resided on a farm near Oldenburg, Ind., until 1864, when he moved to Morris, Ind., where, being a natural mechanic, he learned carpentering and cabinetmaking, and conducted a furniture store until 1870, when he came to Shelby county and purchased a farm of 140 acres, which, by good management and persistent industry, he has increased to 200 acres, which has since been his home, and where he has also been fortunate enough to acquire other possessions and to aid his children, in their start in life, with lands and money.

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Weintraut has been blessed with fourteen children, born in the following order: Mary, wife of John Schreiner, of Shelby county; Magdalena, married to N. B. Bachman, of Kansas; John H., Peter and Nicholas, Jr., of Shelby county; Lizzie, wife of O. Lindner; Josephina, a sister in the convent at Oldenburg; Barbara, widow of John Thibo; Sophronia, deceased; Rosa, at home; George F. and Frank, of Shelby county; Anna, wife of William Bogeman, and Joseph at home. The family were all reared in the Catholic church, and the members still living in Shelby county belong to St. Vincent's parish. Mr. Weintraut is quite prominent in his church relations and has served as trustee and as a member of the building committee of



the St. Vincent church committee; he has also served his fellow-townsmen two terms as a member of the board of equalization. He is a stockholder in the Farmers' National bank, of Shelbyville, and is universally recognized as one of the most prominent agriculturists and useful citizens of Shelby county.

**G**EORGE F. WEINTRAUT, son of Nicholas and Mary A. (Schaaf) Weintraut, whose biography is given above, was born in Dearborn county, Ind., April 18, 1870, received his preliminary education in the common schools, and was confirmed in the Catholic faith at St. Vincent's church, in Shelby county, Ind., at the age of thirteen years. In 1885 he attended the Brothers' school in Dayton, Ohio, six months, and then returned to his father's farm. In 1891 he went to California, worked a year on a farm, and then came back to Shelby county, Ind.

October 15, 1892, Mr. Weintraut married Miss Lena Roell, who was born in Franklin county, Ind., April 28, 1872, a daughter of Balhasia and Lena Roell, now residents of Oldenburg, Ind., where Mr. Roell is engaged in the manufacture of beer. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Weintraut has been blessed with three children, named Albert, Adam and Edward. On marrying, Mr. Weintraut settled in Waldron, Shelby county, where he opened a public business place, which he still carries on, and, it may be added, that it is conducted in a most orderly manner. Beside attending to this, his immediate business, Mr. Weintraut manages a farm of 240 acres, on which he resides, and which Mrs. Weintraut inherited from her father. In politics Mr. Weintraut is a democrat, in religion he is, with his family, devout in his worship at St. Vincent's church, and in the community in which he has his home enjoys a large measure of respect and popularity.

**R**EV. BARTHOLOMEW WEISS, O. F. M., pastor of St. Louis church, at Batesville, Ripley county, Ind., is a native of Bavaria, Germany, was born May 28, 1854, a son of Frank J. and Barbara (Muelhoffer) Weiss, parents of six children. The

father is a millwright, and he and wife still retain their home in Bavaria.

Rev. Bartholomew Weiss received his early education in Germany, and came to the United States in June, 1873, and for a short time resided in St. Joseph, Minn., whence he removed to Macon, Ga., where he attended Pio Nono college until 1877, when he located in Cincinnati, to prepare for the priesthood in St. Francis Ecclesiastical college. He was ordained priest at Louisville, Ky., June 29, 1886, by Bishop McCloskey, and said his first mass at Lourds, Ill., June 11, 1886. He was then assigned to Olpe, Kans., where he remained until October 18, 1897, when he was transferred to his present more important charge at Batesville. Here he relieved the Rev. Clemens Steinkamp, who was transferred to Cincinnati, and here he has since labored zealously and assiduously for the welfare of his congregation, both in a spiritual and temporal sense, and enjoys the sincere love and deep respect of his flock.

The school attached to St. Louis church is presided over by three Sisters of St. Francis, is attended by about 130 pupils, and over these Father Weiss exercises a tender and fatherly care.

JOHN R. WELCH, of the firm of Welch & Ward, real estate, loans, insurance, etc., at Indianapolis, was born in the town of Warsaw, Gallatin county, Ky., on the twenty-third of October, 1856. His parents, Thomas and Anna (Whelan) Welch, both natives of county Wexford, Ireland, were married in the city of Dublin, and immediately thereafter came to America, locating, in 1855, at Petersburg, Ky. Later, the family removed to Indianapolis, Ind., where the mother died in March, 1896, aged sixty-four years. The father was born March 27, 1827, has spent all of his mature years as an engineer, and is spending his old age in Indianapolis.

Thomas and Anna Welch reared a family of five sons and five daughters, viz: James and John R., twins—the former a well-known lard refiner of Chicago, and the latter being the subject of

this sketch; Anna is a Sister of Charity, in Philadelphia; Joseph M., who died at the age of thirty-three, was a business man of Indianapolis; Ella is also a Sister of Charity, in Milwaukee, Wis.; Maggie, William, Katie and Dora are at home and Thomas is employed in an extensive dry-goods house of Allegheny, Pa.

John R. Welch attended parochial schools at Carrolton, Ky., and spent his early life in the state of his nativity, coming to Indianapolis in 1875. He was first employed in the city in a paper-mill, and, subsequently, became bookkeeper for a business firm, which position he filled for several years. In 1888 he established his present business, real estate, loans, etc., which has grown from year to year until it is now one of the most extensive of the kind in the city.

Mr. Welch has been associated with John C. McClosky and Charles Callan, and at the present time his partner is Stephen J. Ward. The firm of Welch & Ward transacts a general loan and real estate business, giving employment to six persons, and having a most commendable reputation for fair and successful dealing in the several lines presented.

Mr. Welch was united in marriage, in Indianapolis, in the year 1886, to Miss Alice Callan, who was born in Indiana of Irish parentage, and their union has been blessed with six children, four living and two deceased; those living are Anna, Leo, Lawrence and John; Thomas and Mary both died in infancy.

Upon the organization of the Holy Cross Cemetery association, in 1891, Mr. Welch was elected secretary, a position he has since held, and in 1884 he was chosen secretary of the Celtic Savings & Loan association, an organization composed principally of Irish Catholics. This organization enjoys the distinction of being the oldest building and loan association in the state of Indiana, its history dating from 1874; it is also considered one of the most solid and reliable of such institutions, having a capital of \$1,000,000, with \$683,000 in force at the last report.

Mr. Welch's church affiliation is with SS. Peter and Paul's cathedral congregation, of which he is an earnest and faithful member; Mrs. Welch holds membership in the Chapel club, Altar society, and other organizations having for their object the promo-

tion of Catholicity, and is one of the influential workers of the congregation with which she is identified. Mr. Welch is a democrat in politics, but not aggressively partisan; he is essentially a business man, and as such ranks with the progressive element of the city of his adoption.

**M**ICHAEL D. WELSH, deceased, whose family reside at No. 1241 Lexington avenue, Indianapolis, was during his life a worthy citizen, an esteemed member of the Catholic church, and a trusted and prominent railway employee. He was born in Indianapolis, March 23, 1855, and was a son of John and Bridget Welsh, early residents of this city.

Michael D. Welsh was reared and educated in Indianapolis, obtaining an excellent education in the public schools and in the Catholic school of his parish. In his youth, having learned the trade of an iron molder, he was afterward employed in the shops of the Big Four railway company for some time, and later began running on the road as a fireman. In 1882 he was promoted to the position of locomotive engineer, and met his death in the terrible accident that occurred at the depot in LaFayette, Ind., May 7, 1893. In this accident there were ten others killed beside himself, the accident being one of the worst that has ever occurred on that road.

October 1, 1885, Mr. Welsh was married to Miss Mary Gannon, who was born and reared in Greensburg, Ind., and is a daughter of Patrick and Catherine Gannon, they still residing at that place. Mr. and Mrs. Welsh became the parents of two children, a son and a daughter, viz: Maurice, born July 11, 1886, and Annie, born April 16, 1889. Mr. Welsh was always a kind husband, an indulgent father, and was much attached to his family and his home. He was a useful and honored member of the Locomotive Engineers association and in every way a highly esteemed man and citizen. His widow resides with her children at her home, No. 1241 Lexington avenue, where her numerous friends and acquaintances regard her highly, and where she is doing all in her power to rear her children in the way that they should go.

JOSEPH WERNER, SR., merchant tailor, of Richmond, Ind., was born in Bavaria, Germany, January 10, 1834, and is a son of Joseph and Josephia Werner, the former of whom was born in the parish of Grosenbrough, Bavaria, in 1810, and was a farmer.

Joseph Werner, the father, married Josephia Seifert in 1833, and this union was blessed with eight children, four of whom are still living, viz: George, whose home is still in Bavaria; Margarita, wife of Casper Ghendenz; Josephia, wife of Adam Beitner, and Joseph, subject of this memoir.

Joseph Werner came to America in 1853, landed in New York, and went thence direct to Dayton, Ohio, where he was engaged in merchant tailoring for two months; he then went to Berlin, Ohio, and was engaged in the same business until 1859, then returned to Dayton, remained a few weeks only, and the same year came to Richmond, Ind., where he has since devoted his attention to merchant tailoring and repairing.

Mr. Werner was first married, in 1853, in St. Michael's parish, Shelby county, Ohio, to Miss Deraka Schlerett, and this union has resulted in the birth of eight children, viz: Joseph, Jr., and Andrew, of Richmond, Ind.; George, who lives in Dayton, Ohio; Caroline, deceased; Mary, wife of John Feltman; Anna, wife of John Snyder, both of Richmond; Isaac, of Columbus, Ohio, and Clara, at home. His first wife died February 19, 1878, and her remains were interred in St. Andrew's cemetery, Richmond. His second marriage took place October 1, 1878, to Miss Catherine Thomas, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Father Seibertz, at St. Andrew's church. The entire family are ardent Catholics, and members of St. Andrew's congregation, and of this church Mr. Werner was a trustee in 1868-9, and also in 1882-3.

GEORGE MICHAEL WENGER, deceased, and his wife were among the early well-known Catholic citizens of Indianapolis. Mr. Wenger was born in Germany February 19, 1812, but came to the United States at an early age, so that all his mature years were spent in this country. When he reached the United States at the

age of nineteen, he went almost immediately to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he worked at his trade of stonecutter, and where he married Miss Catherine Theines, a native of Prussia. In 1850 Mr. Wenger brought his family to Indianapolis, and here became a well-known business man and was unusually successful. A short time previous to his death he removed his family to North Vernon, hoping that by the removal his health would be materially benefited, but in this he was doomed to disappointment, the change of residence being of no avail, and his death occurred at that place June 23, 1860. Soon after this melancholy occurrence the family returned to Indianapolis and have resided here ever since.

Mr. and Mrs. Wenger were the parents of thirteen children, eight of whom grew to mature years and seven of the eight are still living. The three sons and five daughters that reached manhood and womanhood are as follows: Frank, who resides at the maternal home; Elizabeth, wife of George Knarzer, of Indianapolis; Barbara, wife of Henry J. Blodau, of Nashville, Tenn.; Caroline, Jacob and Lena, at home; Andrew, who died January 5, 1894, and Katie, wife of Andrew Smith, she being the youngest of the family, and residing at No. 126 North Noble street, Indianapolis.

Mr. Wenger, while living, was a devout Catholic, and his entire family, both before and since his death, have been and are closely identified with the Catholic church and active in its support. Their home has been, for the most part, in St. Mary's parish, in the school of which the children were educated. The mother of the eight children named above is spending her declining years at her new home with her unmarried children, near the Catholic cemetery, where she and they possess and enjoy the confidence of the entire community.

**J**OHAN L. WHEELER, farmer and justice of the peace, Shelby county, was born in this county, Ind., November 29, 1841, and is a son of Tilson and Rachael (Worland) Wheeler. He attended the common schools of his district until twenty-one years of age, when he began farming on his own account by buying 250 acres of land, to which he subsequently added fifty-five acres, and

devoted himself industriously to the calling which he had decided to make his life-work, and in consequence has prospered.

November 19, 1879, Mr. Wheeler married Miss Ellen Farrell, who was born in Shelby county, March 27, 1860, a daughter of James and Elizabeth (Smith) Farrell, and this union has been blessed with ten children, viz: Tilson, Rachel, Mary, Susan, Thomas, Linnie (deceased), Cecile, Grace, John (deceased), and Nora. The family are all members of St. Vincent's Catholic church and liberal in their contributions toward its support, as well as devout and punctual in the observance of their religious duties, and for many years Mr. Wheeler has been a church trustee.

Mr. Wheeler is very highly esteemed by his fellow-citizens, whom he has served as justice of the peace. He has prospered in his farming operations, owns stock in the Farmers' National bank of Shelbyville, and is regarded as one of the most enterprising and substantial residents of Shelby county.

**PETER WERST**, grain merchant and lumber-yard proprietor, of Brookville, Franklin county, Ind., was born February 6, 1858, near New Alsace, Dearborn county, this state, and is a son of Peter and Susan (Hammerly) Werst.

Peter Werst, the father, was born in Bayern, Germany, in 1819, was educated in the parochial schools, and afterward learned nailmaking, which trade he followed in the old country until twenty-three years old, when he came to America, landing in New Orleans about 1842. From that city he came up the Mississippi and Ohio rivers as far as Cincinnati, Ohio, where he remained but a few days, then came to Indiana and located in Lawrenceburg, Dearborn county, where he was engaged in milling and distilling from 1843 until 1856. He then moved to Petersburg, Ky., and re-engaged in milling, adding to his plant a distillery, and continued in business until 1860, when he bought a farm near New Alsace, Ind., which he cultivated until his death, which occurred in 1867. His marriage took place in Lawrenceburg in 1844, to Miss Susan Hammerly, Rev. Father Ferneding performing the ceremony. The

fruit of this union was seven children, viz: Henry, deceased; Louisa, widow of Martin Willhelm; Susan, at home in Brookville; Katharine and Barbara, deceased; Elizabeth, wife of John Feusner, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Peter, the subject of this sketch.

Peter Werst, whose name opens this biography, received his early education in the common schools of New Alsace, and then, for two and a half years, attended St. Meinrad's school. At the early age of thirteen years he was apprenticed to a wagonmaker in Hamilton, Ohio, whom he served three years; he then returned to New Alsace and engaged in general merchandizing for a few years; in 1882 he came to Brookville and embarked in the wholesale and retail grain trade, and in addition to this business he also carries on a lumber yard, making thorough successes of both.

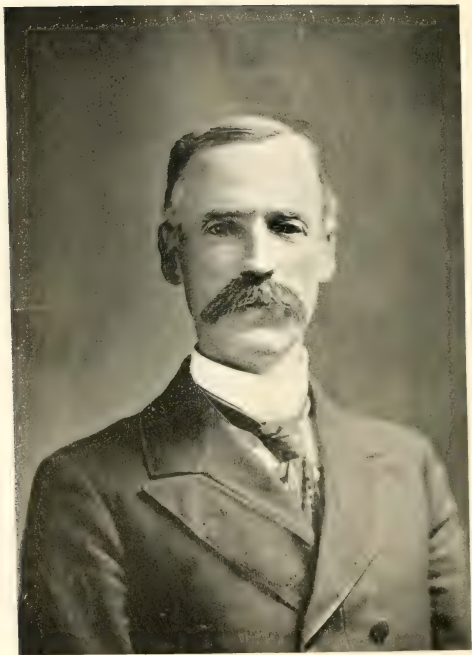
Mr. Werst was united in marriage May 23, 1882, at St. Michael's church, Brookville, with Miss Rosa Seible, and this union has been blessed with four children—Ferdinand, Mary, Nora and Josephine—all still at home. Mr. Werst was elected a trustee of St. Michael's church in 1893; he is also a member of St. Michael's society and of St. Peter's Benevolent society, and Mrs. Werst is a member of St. Marie's society. They are generous in their church contributions, and faithful in their church duties and enjoy in a high degree the respect of the community in which they live.

**T**IMOTHY WHELAN, master mechanic of the Indiana cotton-mills at Cannelton, Ind., and a well-known and respected citizen, was born in Ireland, November 1, 1833, a son of James and Mary Whelan, whose deaths occurred within three months, each of the other, when their son, Timothy, was but six years of age, the father, by occupation, having been an agriculturist, and both true Catholics.

Timothy received a sound education in the National schools of his native country, then recently established, on quitting which he came to America, landing here January 16, 1850, and here, at the age of seventeen years, entered upon the battle of life on his own account, and since 1869 has held his present position of master mechanic of the Indiana cotton-mills.







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May 2, 1859, Mr. Whelan was united in marriage with Miss Mary Ann Gilligan, who was born in Scituate, R. I., March 9, 1833, a daughter of Peter and Rosanna Gilligan, and this union has been blessed with seven children, born in the following order: James W., John E., Mary R., Eliza L., Mary P., Margaret E. and Thomas T., of whom two, Mary R. and Mary P., are deceased. The family are members of St. Patrick's congregation, of Cannelton, to the support of which Mr. Whelan contributes quite freely from his means, and Mr. Whelan is also a member of branch No. 519, Catholic Knights of America. Politically, Mr. Whelan has been identified with the democratic party since he attained his majority, but has never been desirous of office. Socially, the family are highly esteemed, and individually Mr. Whelan bears a first-class reputation as an industrious, temperate and upright gentleman.

MICHAEL W. CARR, editor of the *Pen Magazine*, Indianapolis. The history of a state is often well told in the biographies of its literary men and women, for they are collectively a monument expressive of its higher civilization. It is quite true that literary celebrities are prone to seek the eastern cities, accounting them the centers of educational interests, and thereby lend their individual merits to help the repute of New York and Boston; but even these writers never entirely lose the interests which identify them with their home states.

The *genus literati* can be divided into two families, the one the authors of the brilliant thoughts which flash across the mental horizon like flaming meteors and then are lost, while they themselves sink into the obscurity offered literary hacks in the east; and the other the parents of those thoughts which pile up and grow in value as the years go by, much as a great tower is reared by stone capping stone until it becomes a lasting memento of its builders.

Among this latter family can be classed Michael W. Carr, editor of the *Pen Magazine*, at Indianapolis, a writer who has achieved an enviable reputation among our western readers which is sustained by the scholarly finish and historical precision which mark his published articles. While laying claim to nothing in let-

ters more than the position of editor implies, he has nevertheless shown himself to be not only remarkably well educated, but also polished and forceful as a writer. His information is wide and correct, his observations to the point, and his criticisms always justified. The productions of his pen leave a lasting impression in the mind of the reader.

Mr. Carr was born in Ireland, the "*Insula poetarum et doctorum*," and came to the United States in 1861. He received a part of his education at Louisville college, Ohio, and finished with a classical course at the university of Notre Dame, Ind. Upon leaving college he engaged in editorial work—newspaper, special publications and magazine—and has been devoted to literature ever since. He is now about fifty years of age, and, although not constitutionally robust, his later literary work shows no loss of mental grip and power.

Mr. Carr is a conscientious, Christian gentleman, having a great love for his God, the Catholic church and his fellow-man. He possesses that keen Irish appreciation of right and justice which loses nothing by its being separated from the land where it is breathed in the air by those who honor it.

Rejoicing in a host of friends who see the sterling character beneath the air of mock-cynicism which may at times repel strangers, Mr. Carr quietly contributes his part to the literary fabric which will one day direct the world's attention to the state of Indiana as a place where scholars and writers abound both in merit and numbers, and where the work of these need not be done away from home to find true appreciation. This truth is especially applicable to the contributions of Mr. Carr to these volumes—the History of the Catholic Church in Indiana, Chapters I to VIII, inclusively, being the work of his able pen, as well as many of the sketches of the parishes in the southern diocese of Indiana.

REV. JOHN H. BOERSIG, rector of St. Martin's parish at Yorkville, Ind., is a native of Breckinridge county, Ky., and was born April 5, 1864. His early education was effected in the parochial schools of New Albany, Ind., after attending which he

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entered St. Meinrad's college, Spencer county, in January, 1879, there took his entire course in the classical, philosophical and theological departments, and was there ordained priest by Rt. Rev. Bishop Chatard May 27, 1888.

The same spring Father Boersig was assigned as assistant at the cathedral at Vincennes, next as assistant in the German Catholic church at Madison, Ind. He was then sent as assistant priest to St. John's church at Vincennes, and remained until June, 1889, when he was assigned to the Sacred Heart parish at Schnellville, Ind., and stayed there until February, 1892. He was then assigned to St. Martin's parish at Yorkville, Dearborn county, Ind., where he is the present rector.

The membership of St. Martin's parish numbers eighty-five families or 400 souls. The schools are under the guidance of two Franciscan Sisters and the enrolment will reach eighty. Father Boersig has been an active pastor and has been ardent in his work. He placed in the church a beautiful new pipe-organ costing \$1,100, which is one of the best instruments of the kind in this part of the county. He has paid off \$1,330 of the debt, and the general improvements he has made in the parish will aggregate \$1,450. The fair cash value of the Catholic property of the parish will now reach \$15,000. St. Martin's lies thirteen miles northwest of Lawrenceburg and seventeen miles from Batesville, Ind.

VINCENT BRUNNER, an enterprising and highly respected citizen of Mishawaka, St. Joseph county, Ind., is a native of Switzerland, and was born in the canton of Aargau, January 22, 1862.

Caspar Brunner, father of Vincent, born July 20, 1808, was a tailor by trade and married Miss Barbara Brunner, who, although she bore the same family name, was of no consanguinity. The children resulting from this marriage were five in number, but of these two died in infancy, the survivors being Agnes, Peter and Vincent. Mr. Brunner served in the Sonderbund war, was credited with being a man of sound judgment and great discretion, and served for a number of years as alderman and justice of the peace.

in Europe. In 1867 he came to America, landing at Castle Garden, N. Y., December 24, whence he came to Indiana, passed one year in Whitley county, then settled in Mishawaka, St. Joseph county, Ind., resumed his trade, and united himself with the democratic party. He gave his children good educational advantages and reared them in the faith of the Catholic church, of which he and wife were devoted members, and died August 25, 1872, a highly respected and honored citizen.

Vincent Brunner, at the age of five years, was brought to this country by his parents, received a good common-school education, and learned to read, write and speak the English and German languages quite fluently. At the age of fourteen he began clerking in Frank Eberhart's grocery store and there remained six years, supporting, in the meantime, his widowed mother. In 1885 he borrowed \$300, formed a partnership with H. B. Fitch and opened a grocery, but at the end of two years bought his partner's interest and continued alone until 1888, doing a very successful trade. He then disposed of his stock to his former partner, and, his health being somewhat impaired, made a trip to Europe, visiting France, Italy and Switzerland, and in the latter country spent some time at his birthplace, readily recalling to mind many scenes in the old town. After an absence of four months he returned to Indiana and resumed the grocery trade in Mishawaka, but at the close of a year sold out and engaged in farming in Penn township until 1892, when he returned to Mishawaka. In 1895 he again went to Europe and conducted a party of tourists through portions of Africa, Spain, Italy and other countries. April 28 he and party had the pleasure of seeing Leo XIII, and of attending his private mass. Later on they saw the king and queen of Italy in Rome, the Prince of Wales at Southampton, and Gen. Booth, of Salvation Army fame, at Zurich. In 1900 he expects to see the Passion Play at Oberammergau, Bavaria. Mr. Brunner is also a writer of some note, he having written several pamphlets and various newspaper articles. He is now again plying the grocery trade in Mishawaka. He owns a fine residence and has erected two of the handsomest business blocks in town, one being a two story brick building, 20 x 80 feet, at the corner of Bridge and St. Joseph streets, with metal front

and plate glass windows. The corner stone is engraved with a genealogical record of the Brunner family, extending back to the fifteenth century.

Mr. Brunner was united in marriage May 1, 1883, with Miss Dora Deutchle, daughter of Leopold and Marguerite (Raab-Deutchle, the former of whom came from Germany in 1866, is now a well-to-do farmer in Madison township, St. Joseph county, Ind., and he and wife have had born to them eight children, named as follows: Andrew, Reuben, Wilhelmina, Dora (Mrs. Brunner), Mary, George, John and Valentine. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Brunner has been blessed with seven children, viz: Casper, Joseph, Victor, Caroline, Vincent, Charley and Marie. The family are all devoted Catholics, and Mr. Brunner is a member of the Catholic Knights of America, while his mother, now seventy-five years of age, adheres most devotedly to the same faith. Mr. Brunner is a self-made man, from a business point of view, and all he owns has been gained through his intelligent management of his business and strict integrity in all his dealings.

REV. JOHN GROGAN, the revered pastor of St. Peter's church at Laporte, Ind., and now for a quarter of a century in holy orders, was born in Rochester, N. Y., March 17, 1836. He was educated for the ministry in Bardstown, Ky., Notre Dame, Ind., and St. Mary's of Cincinnati, was ordained priest January 25, 1872, and has since done a vast amount of service in the cure of souls, having ministered, in Indiana alone, at Kokomo, La Gro, Dunnington, Mooresville, Marion and Laporte, to which last charge he was appointed in January, 1894. He is devout, energetic and tireless, and has accomplished, and will accomplish, a vast amount of good, D. V.

I S. BARNETT, a deceased merchant of Brazil, Ind. was born in Putnam county, and was a representative of one of the pioneer families of his native county. Although not a Catholic in his religious convictions, he fully recognized that church as an agency

for good, was a liberal supporter in all things material, and readily extended a helping hand in every worthy cause. He early became a resident of Brazil, Clay county, Ind., rose to prominence as a merchant and citizen, married Miss Elizabeth Glunn, and died in August, 1888, mourned alike by the public and the members of his immediate family.

Mrs. Elizabeth Barnett, widow of I. S. Barnett, is a daughter of Patrick and Alice (McGuire) Glunn, natives of Ireland, who came to America in 1837, when Mrs. Barnett was but an infant. Landing in Newfoundland, the family proceeded thence to New Jersey, and from that state came to Indiana locating in Vigo county in 1854, becoming members of the congregation presided over by the well-known and greatly esteemed Father Lalumiere, with whom and the family the most cordial relations existed. Patrick Glunn, however, did not live long after coming to Indiana, as he passed away in 1855. The widow was possessed of greater vitality and longevity, and reached the advanced age of eighty-four years. Of the children born to Mr. and Mrs. Glunn, several died in childhood and three reached maturity, and of these Mrs. Barnett is the only daughter, was the eldest born, and came with the other two to Indiana. In 1865 she was married to I. S. Barnett, and by him is the mother of two daughters—Larene and Grace. Mrs. Barnett is one of the early members of the church of the Annunciation, and never fails in her devotional duties and in lending a willing hand and purse when called upon to aid in the good work of the church. She still carries on the business conducted by her late husband, and is one of the most highly respected ladies of the city of Brazil.

REV. MAXIMILIAN BENZINGER, pastor of St. Joseph's church at Hesse Cassel, was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, October 7, 1848, a son of Michael and Elizabeth (Miller) Benzinger. His earlier education was acquired in his native country, where he resided until 1867, when he came to the United States, and in 1870 entered the Benedictine school at St. John's, Minn., where he followed his studies until 1873; he next entered the col-



lege at Calvary, Wis., continued his studies until 1880, and then attended the seminary of St. Francis de Sales, at Milwaukee, until ordained, June 11, 1884, at Fort Wayne, by Right Rev. Bishop Dwenger. He was first stationed at Kendallville, and later transferred to the missions of Waterloo, St. Michael's and Butler; in 1886 he was appointed to the pastorate of St. Michael's at Summit, and performed noble work until October 17, 1897, when he was placed in charge of St. Joseph's at Hesse Cassal, where his piety and assiduity have won for him the love and heartfelt esteem of his congregation.

**J**OHAN N. BREEN, the oldest merchant of Loogootee, Martin county, Ind., was born in county Wexford, Ireland, March 9, 1830, and is the only child who reached mature years of the family born to his parents.

At the age of eighteen years, in 1848, John N. Breen came to the United States, and having had some experience as clerk in his native land, followed this calling for about two years in Louisville, Ky., whence he came to Indiana, and for seven years clerked at Washington for a Mr. Campbell. In 1857 he came to Loogootee, and is probably the oldest male resident of the town. At that time the priest who officiated at Loogootee was Rev. Father John Mougin, who had his charge at St. Mary's and is now chaplain at the Nashville, Tenn., orphan asylum. Mass, in those days, was read at St. Mary's and at Mount Pleasant alternately, and Mr. Breen attended services at both places. In 1859 Mr. Breen donated the room over the store which he had established at Loogootee to divine service, and here a mission was formed – the result being that, a few months later, the reverend gentleman secured a more appropriate room, at which there was an attendance of thirty-two members of the flock; but this increased by degrees, and in 1860 was able to begin the erection of a small brick chapel. Unfortunately this chapel, while in the course of construction, was partly blown down by a gale of wind, but the pastor and congregation redoubled their efforts and cheerfully contributed the means and restored it to its proper form. The present

church was built several years afterward by the contributions of the parishioners, and by the donation of James Farrell of about \$6,000.

October 14, 1865, Mr. Breen was united in marriage with Miss Mary Jane Campbell, a native of Columbiana county, Ohio, and a daughter of James and Sarah Campbell, who were early comers to Washington, Ind., where Mr. Campbell was engaged in mercantile business. To Mr. and Mrs. Breen have been born seven children, viz: Walter, Anna, John (deceased), Mary, Alice B., Matilda Catherine and John. The father of Mrs. Breen was the gentleman for whom Mr. Breen was a clerk when he went to Washington, in 1850, but afterward entered into partnership with his father-in-law, for the purpose of doing business in Loogootee, under the firm-name of Campbell & Breen, but afterward Mr. Breen became the president of the Washington National bank.

Mr. Breen possesses an excellent talent for business, as will readily be perceived from the foregoing record. Commencing with almost no capital, he now owns his business block in Loogootee, beside considerable farming land in the suburbs. In politics a democrat, he was postmaster of Loogootee during the latter part of President Buchanan's administration, has always been a powerful factor in local politics, has been a member of the town board for many years, and is one of the most respected residents of the town in which he has passed so many years of his useful life.

**REV. FRANCIS W. WOLF**, pastor of St. Louis church at Shoals, Martin county, Ind., is a member of the family of ten children born to Otto and Matilda (Sauerwein) Wolf, natives of Germany, and of whose offspring seven children still survive.

Otto Wolf and wife came to the United States in 1848 and located in Connersville, Fayette county, Ind., where he followed his trade of cooper until the fall of 1876, when he removed to Indianapolis, where he was engaged in coopering until his death, which occurred March 1, 1893.

The reverend subject of this memoir, Francis W. Wolf, was born in Indianapolis, May 31, 1867. His preparatory education





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was acquired in the parochial schools of his native city, and this was supplemented by further preparatory studies until he was able to enter St. Meinrad's college, in Spencer county, September 7, 1886, which he attended for the lengthened period of nearly ten years, as it was not until May 30, 1896, that he completed his studies and was ordained priest, on the same day, by Bishop Francis S. Chatard. Father Wolf read his first mass at St. Mary's, Indianapolis, June 29, 1896, and was immediately afterward appointed assistant to Rev. E. Audran, of St. Augustine's parish, Jeffersonville, Ind., where his services were so satisfactory that his superiors felt justified in transferring him to his present pastorate at Shoals, as the successor of Rev. L. Fichter. Connected with this church are missions at French Lick Springs and Salem, in Washington county, as well as a station at Mitchell, Lawrence county, and in attending to these Father Wolf has his hands pretty well filled. In addition to the performance of his ministerial duties, Father Wolf is also caring for his venerable mother, to whom he has given his filial care since the death of her husband. Few priests so young have secured a deeper love of their congregations than that which has been bestowed upon Father Wolf, and his multifarious duties, so well performed, are as yet but the stepping-stones to higher ecclesiastical position.

VERY REV. JOHN R. DINNEN was born near Burlington, Vt., in 1843. In the summer of 1857 his parents removed to Chicago, and the subject of this sketch secured a position as office boy in the Illinois Central ticket office. In winter he attended school and graduated from one of the most prominent business colleges in the city. Of an enterprising turn of mind, he established a newsstand, the first in the Chicago postoffice. Two years later he was able to open a general book and stationery store. In 1861 he left business to enter Notre Dame university, where, beside taking up the regular course of study, he was engaged as professor of book-keeping and penmanship. Feeling himself called to the sacred ministry, he devoted himself, after finishing the classical course, to

the study of philosophy and theology. He was ordained a priest by Bishop Luers, of Fort Wayne, on the 22d of July, 1869. Three days later he celebrated his first mass in St. Patrick's church, Chicago. His first appointment in the sacred ministry was as assistant to Rev. George A. Hamilton, at St. Mary's church, LaFayette. Thence he was sent, in 1870, as pastor to the missions in Benton and adjoining counties, then a most difficult field of work. After three years of arduous labors, he was called as assistant to the cathedral at Fort Wayne, where his untiring zeal achieved gratifying results. In May, 1878, he was appointed pastor of St. Bernard's church, Crawfordsville. During the sixteen years of his successful pastorate there his sterling qualities of heart and mind gained him hosts of friends, with whose aid he built a comfortable pastoral residence.

The great esteem in which he was held was manifestly shown on the occasion of the silver jubilee of his ordination, which he celebrated on the 25th of July, 1894. It was a day of general rejoicing, not only among his parishioners, but also among his many warm friends all over the diocese and in Chicago, his early home. The pastoral residence was crowded with the guests who congregated there to wish Father Dinnen all joy and to extend to him their congratulations. At the jubilee mass the church was tastefully festooned with evergreen interwoven with flowers. On the altar sides were the dates 1869 and 1894 artistically wrought in floral work. The services were both beautiful and impressive. The sermon was delivered by Rev. Stanislaus Fitte, C. S. C., and was well worthy of the notable occasion. The banquet which followed the church services was spread in the Knights of St. John hall. It was a most pleasant affair and thoroughly enjoyed by all present. Among the guests of honor were Gen. Lew Wallace and Gen. Manson, of Crawfordsville, and the Hon. Washington Hising, postmaster of Chicago, a schoolmate of Father Dinnen. The remarks and reminiscences called forth in answer to the toasts were happy and appropriate. The memorable day closed with an interesting entertainment arranged by the societies and sodalities of the parish in Music hall, during which Father Dinnen's special guest, Hon. Washington Hising, delivered a most interesting and brilliant



lecture on "Patriotism." As an indication of Father Dinnen's popularity, we may mention that seventy-six priests honored his jubilee by their presence, and that the members of St. Bernard's congregation presented him with a number of costly gifts on the occasion.

On June 12th, 1894, the Rev. E. P. Walters, pastor of St. Mary's church, LaFayette, died. On August 4, Father Dinnen was called by Bishop Rademacher to that large and important parish. How well he succeeded there and how he won the sincere respect and love of his parishioners and of the citizens without distinction of creed, is known throughout the whole diocese. Many and cordial, indeed, are the wishes that the Very Rev. Dinnen of the LaFayette district may see before him yet many years of blessed labor for the salvation of souls.

JOSEPH W. FRISZ, a leading grocer of Terre Haute and a prominent member of St. Ann's church, was born in St. Ann's, near North Vernon, Jennings county, Ind., March 31, 1863, and is a son of John and Magdalena (Gasper) Frisz, well-known residents of the aforesaid village. He was, however, educated in a parochial school at Bowling Green, Ky., which he attended until twelve years of age. He was then apprenticed to the machinist's trade in the shops of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad company, at Bowling Green, with which company he remained until 1881, when he came to Terre Haute and for three years was employed as a journeyman in the Phenix foundry and machine shop for a short time; he then entered the machine shops of the Vandalia Railroad line at Terre Haute, in which he worked until June 1, 1887, when he withdrew from mechanical work and engaged in the grocery trade, in which he has met with the most flattering success up to the present time.

Mr. Frisz contracted a most happy marriage, September 22, 1891, with Miss Elizabeth Dominca Kintz, the ceremony being performed in St. Patrick's church, Terre Haute, Rev. Victor Schnell officiating. This union has been blessed with four children, born and named in the following order: Wilfred, Ethel,

Helena and Blanche. The family are members of St. Ann's church, of which, for the past seven years, Mr. Frisz has been a trustee, but both Mr. and Mrs. Frisz had long been active and ardent Catholics prior to their marriage, and for two years Mr. Frisz was a member of the choir of St. Benedict's German Catholic church, and for four years a member of St. Patrick's choir, while, prior to marriage, Mrs. Frisz had been organist, for seven years, of St. Patrick's. Mr. Frisz is also an active member of council No. 111, Catholic Knights of America, and he and wife are among the most liberal contributors to the support of St. Ann's church and to all the charitable and educational undertakings in which it is concerned, as well as to all projects designed for the general good of Terre Haute. In his business relations Mr. Frisz bears an untarnished name, and his fair and square dealing and uniform and unvarying habits in this respect have won for him the enduring respect of all with whom he has ever had any transactions.

REV. PHILIP A. GUETHOFF, pastor of St. Mary's church, Crown Point, Lake county, Ind., is a native of England and was born in London November 18, 1856. He attended college in Calvary, Fond du Lac county, six years and then four years at St. Francis, Milwaukee, Wis., concluding his studies there, and was ordained at Fort Wayne, Ind., June 11, 1884, by Right Rev. Bishop Dwenger. June 15 he was appointed pastor at the Nix settlement, Whitley county, which included the mission at Roanoke, Huntington county, and there officiated until July 1, 1889, doing good and efficient work. July 1, he took charge of the pastorate at Crown Point, and here also he has been very assiduous, accomplishing much toward the glorification of the church and in promoting the welfare of his parishioners. When Father Guethoff assumed charge of this parish the congregation was composed of seventy-five families, with forty-four school-children and one teacher; there are now 125 families in the congregation, 116 scholars in the parochial school and three teachers, Sisters of St. Agnes, of Fond du Lac, Wis. Father Guethoff has also erected

a new church edifice at a cost of \$15,000, which was consecrated in 1891, and other improvements have been made commensurate with the beauty of the church structure proper. See church history, in Vol. I.

**H**UGH McCaffrey, of Peru, Ind., is a self-made man—one who has risen steadily and surely over all difficulties to a place of prominence—always gains the greatest admiration of everybody. He is a man who has worked for all that he possesses, who holds his position by reason of his ability, diligence and intelligence, and is of the kind that makes the strong foundation of the country.

Such a man is Hugh McCaffrey, the wholesale and retail grocer, miller and grain dealer of Peru. He was born in county Armagh, Ireland, March 12, 1852. At the age of eighteen, or in 1870, he came to this country, to Logansport, Ind., where his uncle, Michael McCaffrey, was conducting a grocery. In the short space of a year he took charge of the entire business and at once built it up to important proportions. In 1876 he secured an interest in the ownership of the business. In 1879 they, together with James McGourty, established a new grocery in Peru. Mr. McGourty was placed in charge of the new store, but Mr. McCaffrey had it under his supervision and made frequent visits to it, and his energy and ability have caused its remarkable growth and success from the very first. The new store, with its unusual enterprise and exceptionally low prices, made immediate and lasting friends all over the city and county.

In 1884 Mr. McCaffrey dissolved partnership with his uncle, left Logansport and came to Peru to reside and continue in the active management of the new business. In 1885 he and Mr. McGourty purchased a block in Huntington and opened the same kind of a grocery, which is now under the supervision of Mr. McGourty. Two years later they purchased another block and started a third store in Kokomo, which is in the care of a competent superintendent. Mr. McCaffrey remains in Peru and directs all three stores, and it is due to his knowledge of the business and

his control of all the buying from his office that the trio of establishments have grown to such great proportions as to do \$500,000 or more business, retail and wholesale, annually.

The control of such interests would ordinarily be considered sufficient for one man to take as his task, but Mr. McCaffrey saw he was able to make an addition to his cares, and in 1893 he purchased by himself the Peru flour mill, the largest concern in the county. The business of the mill had fallen considerably when the purchase was made, but Mr. McCaffrey built it up so rapidly that in 1894 he found it necessary to enlarge and improve the quarters. He accordingly erected a large three-story brick mill adjoining, and fitted it with the latest and most improved machinery of a capacity of 300 barrels daily. The superior quality of the various brands of flour manufactured, headed by the celebrated Magnolia patent, won instant recognition in all parts of the country and has brought the business to the point where it has long been necessary to run full capacity night and day. The grain business was also built up to extraordinary proportions and it is now second to none in the entire state. In a recent month the shipments of grain amounted to 121 cars.

In January, 1885, Mr. McCaffrey married Miss Carrie Sullivan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Florence Sullivan, then of Michigan City, now of Peru, Mr. Sullivan being general roadmaster of the Indianapolis & Michigan City division of the Lake Erie & Western railroad. They have a fine family of five boys and four girls. Mr. McCaffrey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McCaffrey, came to this country from Ireland two years after he did, and lived with him in Logansport, moving to Peru when he came to take charge of the Peru store, which was in 1884. Mr. McCaffrey, senior, died in March, 1897, but his widow, enfeebled with age and rheumatism, still lives with her son.

As a man of such important interests Mr. McCaffrey is given a leading position in the business world, and is always found an influential supporter of all public enterprises of whatever character that could be suggested. The people in general, at home and abroad, admire his exceptional ability of making successes out of whatever he undertakes.

He is an honored member and regular communicant of St. Charles Borromeo Catholic church, and is always active and generous in promoting the welfare of church enterprises.

**J**AMES McNULTY, a coal-mining foreman of Brazil, Ind., and joint proprietor, with his wife, of the Clay hotel, is a native of Ireland, was born in 1851, a son of Patrick and Mary McNulty, and is the only member of the family to come to America.

On reaching this country, at the age of nineteen years, young McNulty at once went to Pittsburg, Pa., but soon afterward came to Indiana and was engaged in coal mining in the northern part of the state for several years. He then came to Clay county, Ind., and, May 16, 1883, married Miss Mary Burke, daughter of Patrick and Bridget Burke, the former of whom was a native of the Emerald isle and came to the United States at the age of eighteen years, and the latter a native of Pennsylvania.

Patrick Burke and wife were married in Pennsylvania, which was for some years afterward their home, and where all the male members of his own and his wife's family were engaged in business. The children born to Mr. and Mrs. Burke were ten in number, of whom five are still living, viz: Mrs. McNulty, William, Martin, John and Mrs. Anna Murphy. Mr. Burke brought his family to Indiana in 1866, and settled near Terre Haute, all becoming members of St. Joseph's congregation, of that city. In 1877 the Burke family came to Clay county and settled in Knightsville, where Mr. Burke continued his calling as coal miner, also purchased a farm, and likewise became proprietor of a hotel. His death took place in December, 1883, and his widow now resides alternately with her daughters, Mrs. McNulty and Mrs. Murphy, in Brazil. The surviving sons are all engaged in railroading, in various capacities, and are respected citizens of Brazil.

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. McNulty has been blessed with four children, viz: Mary, Anthony, John and William, the last named dying at the age of ten months. Mr. and Mrs. McNulty are among the most respected of the members of the church of the

Annunciation congregation, and their name is held in high repute by the citizens of Brazil generally.

REV. G. H. MOSS, pastor of St. John the Evangelist church, in Warrick county (P. O. Weltes), Ind., is a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, was born February 10, 1861, and is the fifth in order of birth in a family of six sons born to Bernard and Mary A. Moss.

The rudimentary education of Father Moss was begun and finished in the city parochial schools of Cincinnati. Afterward he entered the Jesuit Fathers' college in 1875 and took the classical course, and then passed two years as student and teacher with the Jesuit Fathers in Florissant, Mo. He then entered St. Meinrad college, Spencer county, Ind., and finished his theological and philosophical studies, graduated, and was ordained priest by Bishop Chatard, in 1884. His first charge was at Frenchtown, Harrison county, Ind., and whilst there exhibited great energy and ambition. He introduced the Sisters of Providence, three in number, in this parish, and in 1894 he erected a neat frame church, 36 x 75 feet, with a spire eighty-three feet high. On October 21, 1894, the church was dedicated by Bishop Chatard before a large concourse of the priesthood and eminent laymen. Father Moss remained in the parish until 1896 and beside St. Bernard's parish he had charge of the Bradford mission, comprising seventy-five families; St. Joseph's, of Crawford county, was also under his ministration for the full time of his pastorate at Frenchtown. In 1892 and 1893 he had charge of French Lick, a summer resort, and was then placed in charge of his present pastorate—St. John's, in Warrick county—which parish comprises sixty-five families with a total attendance of 325 souls. Beside St. John's parish he administers to the mission at Petersburg, which has a church-building 60 x 30 feet, erected by Father Cyrin Thomas, O. S. B. Petersburg mission numbers some twenty-five families and there is a good prospect of its soon becoming a distinct parish by itself. The priesthood is a body of gentlemen, and Father Moss is no exception, as he is well known for these attributes and is a priest dearly loved and highly respected by his parishioners.



ST. JOHN'S EVANGELIST'S CHURCH,  
WELTES, IND.







ST. BERNARD CHURCH, SCHOOL AND SISTERS' HOME,  
FRENCHTOWN, IND.



**H**UGH D. WICKENS, of Greensburg, Ind., the only attorney-at-law in Decatur county who is a member of the Catholic church, was born near North Vernon, Jennings county, Ind., August 30, 1870, and is of English-Irish descent.

Patrick Wickens, grandfather of Hugh D., was a native of county Wexford, Ireland, was there married to Mary Conner, and had born to him a family of six children, viz: Patrick, Mary, Ellen (Mrs. Sweeney), Margaret (Mrs. Reese), Thomas and John. The mother of this family died in Ireland, and in 1853 the father, Patrick, came to the United States and settled in Taylorsville, Bartholomew county, where he died in 1871, a member of St. Bartholomew's church at Columbus.

Patrick Wickens, son of Patrick named above and father of Hugh D., was also born in county Wexford, Ireland, the date of his birth being April 15, 1834. At the age of nineteen years he came with his father to the United States, and for a while worked on a steamboat on lake Erie, after which he joined his father's family in Bartholomew county, Ind., and secured a position as a section hand on the Jeffersonville, Madison & Indianapolis railroad, was promoted to be brakeman, and was next appointed superintendent of track laying on the Louisville branch of the Ohio & Mississippi road, after which he became roadmaster, which position he held until about 1872, when he bought a farm a mile and a half east of North Vernon, where he has since successfully followed the pursuit of agriculture, and has also taken an active part in the management of local politics as a democrat.

The marriage of Mr. Wickens took place at North Vernon, Jennings county, Ind., in November, 1863, to Miss Hannah Devine, daughter of Hugh and Mary (Maloney) Devine, and one of the early teachers of her native county of Jennings. Mr. Devine died when his daughter was but a mere child. Mrs. Devine is still living and is married to Edward Gallagher, she and her husband being members of St. Mary's church, at North Vernon. To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Wickens have been born the following children, in the order here named: Ella, John, Thomas (who died from an accident at the age of seventeen years), Hugh D., Patrick, Jr., Mary, Norah, Katherine, Pearl M. and Julia E.

Hugh D. Wickens was educated in the common schools, and after graduating from the high school of North Vernon he entered upon the vocation of teaching and for two years taught in his home county, one year at Chattanooga, Tenn., and was then for three years principal of the Cathedral high school of Vincennes, establishing for himself a fine reputation as an educator. This talent seems to be inherent in the family, as Miss Mary, sister of subject, has been a teacher for several years in the North Vernon high school; another sister, Nora, is now a teacher in the city schools of Terre Haute, Ind., and his brother, Patrick, has taught for six years in Jennings county. During his career as an instructor, Mr. Wickens devoted much of his time to a systematic study of the law, preparatory to entering the Indiana Law school, in which he graduated May 30, 1895, since when he has been actively engaged in the active practice of his profession in Greensburg, where he has firmly established himself in the confidence of the public and has been engaged in some very important lawsuits. In politics he is a staunch democrat.

In 1891 Mr. Wickens became a member of branch No. 609, Catholic Knights of America, and afterward was president of branch No. 256, at Vincennes; he was also the first president of Americus council, No. 271, Young Men's institute, of Greensburg. Mr. Wickens is a true Catholic, and socially and professionally enjoys a full share of the public esteem.

REV. GEORGE L. T. WIDERIN, pastor of the church of the Nativity, at North Vernon, Jennings county, Ind., is a native of Louisville, Ky., and is a son of Christian and Mary A. (Meder) Widerin, natives of Bavaria.

Rev. G. L. T. Widerin was born June 20, 1847, was primarily educated in the parochial schools, and began the study for the priesthood in 1872, at St. Meinrad's college. He was ordained May 28, 1877, under Bishop de St. Palais, and said his first mass at St. Mary's church, at New Albany, June 3, 1877. He was then assigned to the church of Sts. Peter and Paul's, at Haubstadt, Gib-

son county, Ind., where he remained five years; he then was transferred to North Madison, and remained in charge there until April 3, 1893; he was assigned to his present position, and under him the spiritual welfare of the parishioners has been cared for in a manner that has redounded to his credit and secured for him the high esteem and affection of his flock. During his early years our subject was engaged in secular occupations, and during the war served for a time as a private in the One Hundred and Forty-fourth regiment of Indiana volunteer infantry. His father, Christian, served for two years in the Twenty-third regiment, when he was obliged to withdraw owing to disabilities received in action. Our subject has 135 families, together with ninety pupils who attend the school adjoining the church. His labors, although arduous, have been rewarded with abundant success, and he well deserves the high esteem in which he is held.

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**W**ILLIAM WIEGAND, of Indianapolis, was born in Prussia, Germany, in the village of Neustadt, on the twenty-fourth day of October, 1849. He is a son of John and Annie (Wulff) Wiegand, both natives of Prussia, the father born in the year 1801, and the mother in 1821; they both departed this life in 1872, and lie buried in the old cemetery at Neustadt. These parents had a family of eight children, three sons and five daughters, but two of the former are now living—the subject of this sketch and Felix, a farmer, who still lives in the old country. All the deceased members of the family attained the years of maturity and all married; their names were: Lena, Leo, Regina, Matilda, Sophia and Caroline.

William Wiegand remained in his native country until eighteen years of age and received his education in the church schools of Neustadt. He then came to the United States, stopping for two years in Washington, D. C., where he was engaged in the meat business. In 1869 he became a resident of Indianapolis, since which time he has been with his present employer, Charles Stuckemeyer, as manager of that gentleman's meat market. Mr. Wie-

gand is a practical butcher and meat-market man, in which business he has spent the greater part of his life, and in which his efficiency is much more than ordinary. He was reared a Catholic and has never swerved in his allegiance to the church of his father, being a consistent member and an active worker at the present time.

Mr. Wiegand is unmarried, preferring the freedom of single blessedness to the more responsible position of a Benedict.

MRS. MARY WILCOX, wife of H. P. Wilcox, of No. 834 English avenue, Indianapolis, is a member of a prominent German Catholic family. She is a daughter of Michael and Frances Kirn, natives of Baden, Germany, who came to the United States in their early life and were married in Cincinnati, Ohio, where they lived for a number of years, removing thence to Minnesota, and later to West Point, Lee county, Iowa. Still later they removed to Kansas, where the mother died March 26, 1885. Michael Kirn died at Topeka, Kans., February 13, 1897, at the advanced age of eighty-four years. Mr. and Mrs. Kirn were devoted members of the Catholic church, were sincere in their belief, and carried out in their lives the principles they professed. They were the parents of eight children, six of whom, three sons and three daughters, arrived at mature age and are still living. They have all been reared in the Catholic faith, and two of the daughters have consecrated themselves to a purely religious life. They are Julia, who, as M. Lena, is a Sister of Notre Dame, her home being in Rochester, N. Y., and Catherine, as Sister Colmana, is at Longwood, Chicago. Mrs. Wilcox is the second of the sisters in the order of birth. The three brothers are Charles, John and William, all residing in Kansas. The eldest two of the family died in infancy.

Mrs. Wilcox was born in Lee county, Iowa, and there grew to womanhood, and was married at Urbana, Ill., to Henry P. Wilcox, a native of Massachusetts, and a brave soldier during the war of the Rebellion. Mrs. Wilcox is a member of a most excellent family,

who are all respected citizens, and devout and earnest Catholics. She is a member of St. Patrick's parish of Indianapolis, and a worthy woman and wife. The Rev. Father O'Donaghue is the esteemed pastor of the church to which she belongs.

**R**OBERT CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS, of Loogootee, Ind., was born in Washington county, Ky., January 1, 1845, a son of Thomas Francis and Mary Elizabeth (Nally) Williams, also natives of Kentucky.

The father was a carpenter by trade, and also owned a farm in Washington county, but when the county was divided, he found himself to be a resident of Marion county, and there he passed the remainder of his life, dying on his farm in October, 1894, at the age of eighty years. His widow still resides on the old homestead, and of the seven children born to herself and husband, Robert C., the subject, is the eldest. Of the remaining six, Sarah Jane was married to James Bulloch, and died in Daviess county, Ind., leaving seven children, viz: Thomas, Charles, Leona, Albert, Samuel, Ella and Regina; Rebecca married Edward Blanford, of Loogootee, and died in 1884, leaving four children—John, Jennie, Agnes and Mattie; Medora is married to Alonzo Farrell, and resides in Marion county, Ky.; John is a resident of Washington county, Ky., and has been twice married; Thomas, also married, lives in Washington, Ind., and Alice, who was married to Poley Cusicks, died in Marion county, Ky., leaving a family.

Robert C. Williams was reared a farmer and also possessed excellent school advantages. He came to Indiana in 1867, and followed farming in Daviess and Martin counties until 1884, when he settled in Loogootee, and has here been engaged ever since in the liquor business. Mr. Williams has a neat and orderly establishment and enjoys an excellent patronage, composed of the most respectable residents of the town. His marriage took place in February, 1874, to Miss Catherine Arvin, a native of Washington county, Ky., and a daughter of John and Elizabeth (Field) Arvin, and this marriage has been blessed by the birth of five children.

named as follows: John Francis, Mary E., Charles C., Dallas B. and Clarence Leo.

Mr. Williams is a genial, affable and accommodating gentleman and has many warm friends. He has made a success of his business, owns the two-story brick building in which he carries it on, and also owns his residence property. He and family are members of St. John's church, to the support of which he freely contributes.

EMANUEL R. WILLS, a well-known salesman and merchant of South Bend, Ind., was born in York county, Pa., October 1, 1840, a son of Lewis and Magdaline (Fleshman) Wills, both natives of Adams county, in the same state, the former born in 1810 and the latter in 1809.

Lewis Wills, who was a farmer by vocation, died in his native county in 1879, and was followed to the grave by his widow in 1891. They were the parents of six children, of whom Jacob Lewis was killed in the Civil war; Joseph resides in Springfield, Mo.; John lives in Lebanon, Pa.; Mary is the widow of Matthew Timmens; Caroline is now Mrs. Bievenour, of Adams county, Pa., and Emanuel R. is the subject of this memoir.

Emanuel R. Wills attended the schools of the county of York, Pa., until sixteen years of age and then learned blacksmithing, but did not long work at his trade, as he secured a clerkship in a dry-goods store, in which he remained three years, and merchandizing he has since followed as his vocation in life. In 1865 he came to South Bend, Ind., and engaged in the dry-goods trade as salesman, and for many years was also engaged in the grocery business, meeting with financial success through good management and judicious business methods. In politics he is a sound democrat, and in May, 1882, was elected treasurer of the city of South Bend, serving so satisfactorily that, at the end of his term, he was triumphantly elected treasurer of St. Joseph county, and re-elected, thus serving two terms, from 1884 until 1888, inclusive. He has also served as county assessor for two years, and as com-



missioner of the school fund, filling each office with credit to himself and to the satisfaction of all concerned.

Mr. Wills was most happily married in 1874, at St. Patrick's church, South Bend, to Miss Margaret Coquillard, whose uncle was the founder of South Bend and was the first to entertain the lamented Father Sorin, the founder of Notre Dame college, and also Father Baden, the pioneer Catholic missionary of St. Joseph county. To the congenial marriage of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Wills have been born four children, in the following order: Leo J., June 28, 1879; Edmund A., August 11, 1882; Florentine M., May 2, 1884, and Adele M., February 9, 1886.

Mr. and Mrs. Wills are devoted Catholics, and freely contribute to the support of St. Patrick's church, of South Bend, of which they are consistent members. In social circles they are greatly esteemed, not because they are in good circumstances, but because of their personal merits.

GERHARD WITTE, who does the veneering and gluing for the Aurora (Dearborn county) Furniture company, was born April 22, 1846, in Germany. He came to the United States in 1881, and engaged in his present business. He was married to Miss Anna Gaddemeir, and they have seven children, viz: Willie, Anna, Henry, Frank, Clara, Ida and Amelia. All are strict members of St. Mary's church. Mr. Witte is a member of St. Joseph society, and he and family are highly respected in Aurora, and as much respected by the Protestant inhabitants as they are by their Catholic friends. He owns a pleasant home on Decatur street, the result of his industry and frugality, and well deserves the high esteem in which he is held.

REV. EMANUEL WROBEL, the highly-esteemed young pastor of St. Stanislaus church at Michigan City, Laporte county, Ind., is a native of Silesia, a province of Prussia, was born Decem-

ber 25, 1866, and was educated primarily in his native country. In 1881 he came to America and entered St. Francis seminary at Milwaukee, Wis., was ordained priest in 1890, and from July of that year until January 1, 1891, officiated as assistant to Rev. Father Bleckmann, of St. Mary's church, Michigan City, when the Polish congregation of St. Stanislaus was organized, and of this he has ever since been the beloved pastor. From January to September, 1891, the congregation worshiped in St. Mary's hall, and in the latter month the present church-edifice was completed under the supervision of Father Wrobel, at a cost of \$8,000. The membership of St. Stanislaus comprises 165 Polish families and is in a very flourishing condition, thanks to the zeal and labors of Father Wrobel. In 1891, also, Father Wrobel established the parochial school attached to the church, and this has been conducted by the Sisters of the Holy Cross (now by Notre Dame Sisters), being well attended, considering the limited number of Polish families residing in Michigan City.

**C**HARLES J. WOLF, manager at Goshen, Elkhart county, for the Cosmo Buttermilk Soap company, paper box department, was born in Saxony, Germany, November 4, 1846, a son of August and Catherine Romhildt Wolf, who came to the United States in 1854, and located in Dayton, Ohio, where the father is still engaged in the manufacture of paper boxes.

Charles J. Wolf, the second born of a family of six children, was between seven and eight years of age when brought to the United States by his parents. He attended public schools in Dayton until eighteen years old, and then entered his father's paper-box factory, remaining until 1872, in which year he went to St. Louis, Mo., and took charge of the C. H. Newbolt paper box factory for four years. The following three years he was in partnership with his brother, Otto, in the manufacture of the same commodity, and then went back to Dayton, Ohio, and re-engaged with his father, with whom he remained two years. About this time Otto Wolf died in St. Louis, Mo., and Charles J. went thither and

managed the deceased brother's business until it was profitably disposed of, in 1884. His next engagement was with Holman Bros., of St. Louis, with whom he remained, as foreman, until 1886, and then went to Chicago, Ill., where he had charge of H. M. Rosenblatt's paper-box department until 1890; he then returned to St. Louis and for ten months was salesman for Otto Moser, paper-box department, and then for four years was in Chicago again in the same line, and for fifteen months with the Lancaster Caramel company, of that city. He then went to Valparaiso, Ind., formed a connection with the Cosmo Buttermilk Soap company, with which he has since remained, coming with it to Goshen, June 10, 1896.

Mr. Wolf was united in marriage, in Dayton, Ohio, February 3, 1874, by Father L. J. H. Stukenborg, of St. Mary's, to Miss Emma L. Baumstart, who was born in Germany, May 5, 1846, and this marriage has been blessed with two children, viz: Harry Leo, a salesman, and Lilly May, a stenographer. The family are all devout Catholics, and affiliate with St. John's church, Mrs. Wolf being a member of the Rosary society and Sacred league, and are liberal in their contributions, as well as faithful to their duties. In his politics Mr. Wolf is a republican, and as a business man has few superiors in the state of Indiana, and none has more friends.

SIMON YENN, a well-known resident of Mishawaka, and ex-treasurer of St. Joseph county, Ind., was born in Alsace-Lorraine, France (now Germany), May 11, 1840, a son of Theobold and Christina (Grewy) Yenn, natives of the same province.

Theobold Yenn, born January 21, 1813, after receiving a good public-school education, served an apprenticeship at stonemasonry, at which he worked in the old country until he came to America, reaching New York after a voyage of thirty-one days, from which city he went via the Hudson river to Albany, and the Erie canal to Buffalo, and then via Lake Erie to Cleveland, thence Massillon and Canton, Ohio, arriving at the last-named city in the spring of 1845; after sojourning there one year he went to Waynesburg, Stark

county, Ohio, worked six months on a canal and in the fall of 1846 bought a twenty-acre farm two and one-half miles east of Louisville, Ohio, on which he lived until 1864, when he came to St. Joseph county, Ind., and purchased a 120-acre farm six miles south of South Bend (one mile from Sumption Prairie), in Green township, and on this he resided until 1887, when he came to Mishawaka, and here made his home with his son Simon, our subject, until his death, in the faith of the holy Catholic church, October 20, 1891, at the age of seventy-eight years. To his marriage with Miss Christina Grewey, which took place in Alsace-Lorraine, January 6, 1838, were born seven children, who were named, in order of birth, as follows: Cassimere, who died in the land of his birth in 1840; Simon, the subject of this memoir; Christina, widow of Peter Weber; Agnes, deceased wife of John Cooley; Edward, who died in Ohio; Cecelia, wife of Daniel Pealy, and Edward, deceased. The mother of these children is being filially cared for by her son Simon, the subject of this sketch, and, should she live until September 29, 1898, will have reached the age of eighty-seven years.

Simon Yenn, the subject of this biography, was primarily educated in the common school of Stark county, Ohio, and this education was supplemented by further tuition under a private teacher. He was granted a school teacher's certificate at Canton, in 1861, and until 1863 taught at Louisville in sub-district No. 1, making for himself a fine reputation as a tutor. While engaged in this profession he married, September 23, 1862, Miss Josephine Roth, at St. Louis church, Louisville, Ohio, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Louis Hoffer. He then came to Indiana, arriving at Sumption Prairie, St. Joseph county, April 29, 1863, where he lived but a short time, and then was employed in teaming for J. C. Wagner, of Mishawaka, for a year. About this time his father came from Ohio and purchased a farm in Green township, on which subject worked until 1868, when he came to Mishawaka and purchased a lot on Joseph street, near Bridge, on which he built a house, and engaged in the grocery business until 1893, having been elected, as a democrat, treasurer of St. Joseph county in 1892, in which office he faithfully served until 1894, when he retired from active business life.

To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Yenn have been born the following children: Gertrude A. and William H., both deceased; Rev. Simon, who was born August 23, 1863, was educated in a parochial school in Mishawaka, and at Canisius college, Buffalo, N. Y., later graduating from the Propaganda, at Rome, Italy, and is now pastor of the Catholic church at Goshen, Ind.; Mary, wife of August Hoerstman, of Mishawaka; Hattie, wife of John Herzog; Frank, George and August, at home. William H., named above, was a novice of the Society of Jesus at Prairie du Chien, at the time of his death, which occurred December 26, 1893. All the family are devout Catholics, and the parents have ever been most generous in their contributions to the support of the church, and their children have dutifully followed this example as far as their means have permitted, and no name to-day is more respected in the church and society circles of Mishawaka than that of the Yenn family.

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REV. S. M. YENN, the present pastor of St. John's church, at Goshen, Elkhart county, Ind., was born on a farm near South Bend, St. Joseph county, on the 23d day of August, 1863, a son of Simon and Josephine (Roth) Yenn. He was baptized in the old St. Patrick's church, at South Bend, where the family soon after resided, but in 1867 removed to Mishawaka, where the parents are still living. There young Yenn attended the parochial school until thirteen years old, and at the age of fifteen years entered Canisius (Jesuit) college at Buffalo, N. Y., where he passed five years in the study of the classics, etc., and from which he graduated in 1883, with the degree of B. A. In the fall of the same year he was sent to Rome, Italy, and there passed six years at the Propaganda—two years in the study of philosophy and four years in the study of theology under Professor (now Cardinal) Satolli. After his ordination, in 1889, he returned to the United States, and was at once appointed to his present pastorate at Goshen, where he has ever since labored assiduously and zealously for the welfare of his flock and the glory of God.

VERY REV. DR. JOHN A. ZAHM, provincial of the Congregation of the Holy Cross for the United States, was born near New Lexington, Perry county, Ohio, in 1851. On his father's side he is of German descent, whilst on his mother's side he is of Celtic extraction, his mother, whose maiden name was Mary Ellen Braddock, being a descendant of General Braddock, of pre-Revolutionary fame.

The preliminary education of Dr. Zahm was acquired in a little log school-house near New Lexington, where he was a school-mate of the celebrated war correspondent, Januarius A. McGahan. In his sixteenth year he entered Notre Dame university, from which he graduated with the highest honors in 1871. Subsequently he became a member of the community of the Holy Cross, and was ordained priest at the conclusion of his theological studies in 1875. He was early placed in charge of the university's scientific department, and built up the magnificent scientific and technological schools which now form such an important part of the university. He was vice-president of the institution in 1876-77, and later filled the same office during a term of eight years. In 1896 he went to Rome as procurator-general of his community, and in January, 1898, returned to America to assume the duties of his office—that of provincial of the congregation of the Holy Cross at Notre Dame, Ind.

But the fame of Dr. Zahm is greatest as a lecturer, author and man of science—a fame that is by no means confined to America, as his published works—"Sound and Music," "Catholic Science and Catholic Scientists," "Bible Science and Faith," "Evolution and Dogma," "Science and the Church," and others—which have been translated into the principle European languages, and as closely read on the other side of the Atlantic as on this. He is an accomplished linguist, and is a member of several of the learned societies of Europe.

Although Dr. Zahm was widely recognized as an able Catholic scientist long before his appearance as a lecturer before our summer and winter schools, the remarkable addresses which he delivered before the students of these institutions may be said to have attracted wider and closer attention to him and his views. While

it was freely acknowledged that his lectures had proven the most attractive, perhaps, of all the course, some captious criticism was leveled against their author by individuals, who aimed to show themselves more conservative in scientific matters than the church herself. The ideas which Dr. Zahm has advocated, in his lectures and books, regarding the antiquity of the world, the nature of the Genesiac days, the extent of the Noachian deluge and the compatibility of certain evolutionary theories with Catholic faith are now generally accepted by all scholars—and the critics who charged him with endorsing, in those ideas, the doctrines of the materialistic school of evolution, were simply exhibiting their own ignorance, or willfully misrepresenting him. The doctor has taken part in several of the international Catholic scientific congresses that have been held in Europe in recent years, and at the one which assembled at Brussels in September, 1894, he read an able paper on "The Warfare with Agnosticism," in which he pleaded earnestly for a more thorough study of science in our ecclesiastical seminaries. In addition to his published works and his lectures, he has also written much on various topics in Catholic and secular reviews—both in America and in Europe. His position regarding the relations of science to religion may be judged from the following brief extract from a paper contributed by him five years ago to one of the Catholic magazines. "Whatever may be the attitude of certain scientists towards the church," wrote the doctor, "the relations of the sciences of faith with those of reason cannot be other than harmonious. And it is this harmony, which springs from the very nature of the relation of science and faith, that exhibits the strongest evidence of that light and liberty of thought and research which every Catholic feels is a portion of his Christian heritage."

At the very time when his critics were predicting that Dr. Zahm would be disciplined for his scientific teachings higher honors than had yet fallen to his share came to him. In the first place, in recognition of his valuable work, he was made a doctor of philosophy by our holy father, Leo XIII, and a few months later the superior of his congregation, Very Rev. Gilbert Francais, sent him to the Eternal city to represent his community there in the

capacity of procurator-general. During his stay in Rome the doctor was the recipient of many distinctions from prominent ecclesiastical dignitaries, and he was on the point of departing for Bengal, to report on the condition of the Catholic missions in certain parts of that country, when word reached him that he had been chosen provincial of his congregation in the United States of America.

The glory of God seems to have been a controlling sentiment and distinguishing feature in the family of Dr. Zahn, as other of its members, beside himself, have consecrated themselves to the service of the church. Three of his sisters are religieuses, and an aunt was for twenty years mistress of novices in the mother-house of the Sisters of the Holy Cross. His brother, Dr. Albert F. Zahn, is professor of physics in the Catholic university of America. Dr. Zahn still manifests his interest in the scientific department of the university of Notre Dame, which he did so much to create and complete by his untiring labors of a quarter of a century. He is also president for America of the International Catholic Scientific congress, which will hold its next meeting in Munich in 1901. At the last meeting of this congress in Fribourg, Switzerland, in 1897, the doctor was president for America, international vice-president, and president of the section of anthropology.

**J**OSEPH ZIEGLER, a thriving farmer of Shelby county, Ind., was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, May 18, 1839, a son of Andrew and Theressa (Sachsenmyer) Ziegler, who both died in Germany, the parents of five children, viz: Francisca, deceased; John, still in Germany; Joseph, the subject; Mary, wife of John Kopp, of Germany, and Anthony, deceased.

Joseph Ziegler attended the parochial schools of his native province until fourteen years of age, was reared on his father's farm and followed this class of labor until May 22, 1862, when he embarked for the United States and arrived in New York, July 13, of the same year, whence he came directly to Shelby county, Ind., and for seventeen years lived on a farm near Shelbyville. In 1876,



however, he purchased eighty acres of his present farm, to which he has since added thirty acres.

The marriage of Mr. Ziegler took place in his native land, May 10, 1859, in the parish of St. George, to Miss Mary Mack, who was born April 1, 1835, a daughter of Dominick and Eva (Ziegler) Mack—the ceremony being performed by the Rev. Hauser. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Ziegler has been blessed with seven children, viz: John A., born in Germany, but now a resident of Shelby township, Shelby county, Ind.; Rosa F., wife of William Higgins, an engineer, of Shelbyville; Matilda, married to M. Rembusch, of Indianapolis; William, of Shelby county; Mary, wife of William Thresher, a tailor, of Shelbyville; Joseph, deceased, and Margaret, at home.

Mr. Ziegler, with his family, is a member of St. Joseph's congregation, and in politics is a democrat; Mrs. Ziegler is a member of St. Ann's sodality, and both are devout and sincere Catholics, who are never behind in their contributions toward defraying the expenses of the good work of the church.

**A**LBERT ZEPF, foreman for the Huck & Simon company, Vincennes, Ind., was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, January 25, 1850, and is a son of Ignatz and Mary Zepf, the former of whom was a farmer in his years of activity and is still living in the fatherland and at the age of eighty-eight years, but where the latter died in 1895. Of their family of six sons and six daughters, two, Anton and Xavera, died in America; one, Joseph, beside the subject, is living in Vincennes; Adolph, Krozenia, Margaret, Mary, Anna, Teressa and Elizabeth still have their home in Germany, where still another died some years ago.

Albert Zepf was well educated in his native land, and there learned the art of brewing, which he followed there for seven years. October 12, 1872, he landed in New York city, where he worked one year; thence he came to Fort Wayne, Ind., and then went to Cincinnati, Ohio, worked until October, 1875, and thence went to Toledo, worked eighteen months, and then returned to

Cincinnati, in 1877, and remained there until February, 1880, when he went to Detroit, Mich., where he was employed as foreman for three years. In the fall of 1884 he came to Vincennes, Ind., and since then has filled his present position with great satisfaction to the company.

May 4, 1875, Mr. Zepf was united in marriage, in Cincinnati, to Miss Mary Rock, a native of Baden, Germany, and this union has been blessed with seven children, viz: Mary, Katie, Joseph, Albert, Otto, Amelia and Helen. The family are members of St. John's German Catholic church, and are very attentive to their religious duties. In his political views Mr. Zepf has inclined to democracy, but nevertheless supported the McKinley ticket in 1896. He has been very prudent with his earnings and carries considerable life insurance in various companies, thus providing for his family in case of his unexpected death, and for his declining years through the endowment plan.

PETER ZINS, a well-known business man of Lawrenceburg, Dearborn county, Ind., is a native of the county of Franklin, and son of Adam and Magdalanía (Wagner) Zins, both parents born in France. Peter was born November 22, 1847, passed his youthful years on a farm, attending in the meantime the parochial schools of his neighborhood, and at the age of seventeen began learning the shoemaker's trade at Lawrenceburg. He became a resident of the city in October, 1863, and followed his chosen calling until 1877, when he engaged in the mercantile business, which he has continued with financial success to the present time.

Mr. Zins was married April 20, 1875, to Miss Elizabeth Schwarz, a native of Lawrenceburg, Ind., who has borne him three children—Henry M., Albert J. and Katie J., who died, aged four years. Mr. Zins and family are members of St. Lawrence parish, Lawrenceburg, and are active in all charitable and other work of the congregation. He is widely and favorably known and possesses in a marked degree the esteem and confidence of his fellow-citizens, who have ever found in him a man of the highest personal honor and integrity.

THE VERY REV. JOHN H. GUENDLING, vicar-general of the diocese of Fort Wayne, was born in Peru, Miami county, Ind., on the 19th of December, 1855. His youth was spent in that quiet town on the banks of the Wabash, where his early mental training was entrusted by his well-to-do parents to the Catholic parish school of that place. In 1870 he entered the Provincial seminary of Mount St. Mary's of the West, at Cincinnati, Ohio. In 1876, after the completion of his classical studies, he was sent to the world-renowned American college at Rome, Italy, but owing to continued ill health he was obliged to return to his native country in 1878. He then entered the Sulpitian seminary at Baltimore, Md., where he completed his course in theology, and was ordained priest for the diocese of Fort Wayne on the 2d of July, 1880. The Right Rev. Bishop Dwenger soon placed him in charge of St. Joseph's Orphan asylum at LaFayette, a position for which he was eminently fitted by his zeal and genial, cheerful disposition, and through which he won, in the long years of his self-denying mission, the grateful affection of the boys placed under his care and of the citizens at large.

That Father Guendling is one of the ablest priests of the diocese of Fort Wayne, that he possesses the full confidence of the Right Rev. Bishop Rademacher and is held in the highest esteem by his fellow priests, is evinced by his appointment to membership in the diocesan council, the diocesan school board, and to the office of examiner of parochial schools. After Father Brammer's death these honors culminated in his appointment, on July 4, 1898, to the office of vicar-general of the diocese of Fort Wayne and pastor of the cathedral in that city.

PATRICK McCUE, foreman of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad shops at Howell, Vanderburg county, is a son of Edward and Bridget (Finnerty) McCue, and was born April 12, 1853. His parents were natives of Ireland and to their marriage were born five children.

Patrick McCue, the subject of this biographical notice, after receiving a good common-school education, began learning the

blacksmith's trade at the age of eighteen years in the shops of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad company and has been employed by the same company to the present time. Through his attention to the interests of the company he was made foreman and was transferred, in 1890, to Howell, being rewarded with his present responsible position in recognition of his faithful services.

The first marriage of Mr. McCue took place November 25, 1878, and the union was blessed with seven children, of whom three are still living, and are named: Sarah E., Mary A. and Margaret E. The mother of these was called away in the holy faith April 29, 1890, and on January 20, 1896, Mr. McCue was united in marriage with Miss Mary A. McBride, but to this union no children have been born.

In politics Mr. McCue is a republican, but has never been a seeker after office, preferring to devote his attention to the duties due his employers rather than bother himself with the uncertain recompense of party work. He and family are members of St. Agnes' church and are greatly respected by the members of that congregation as well as by the public in general.

**F**RANK LOUIS MARCHESSEAU, the well-known plumber of Elkhart, Ind., was born in Ontonagon, Mich., December 1, 1862, a son of James and Catherine (Barry) Marchesseau, natives, respectively, of Canada and Ireland. These parents were married in Ontonagon, where the father was engaged in mining and farming, and their union was blessed with three children, viz: William A., deceased; Frank L., our subject, and James F., now in the west. The father died in Ontonagon September 1, 1891, and the mother in October, 1894, both in the Catholic faith.

Frank Louis Marchesseau attended public school in Ontonagon until seventeen years of age and was then employed in copper mining two years; the following three years he served as an apprentice at plumbing in Detroit, then worked there as journeyman two years, and in 1887 came to Elkhart. For two years he continued to work as a journeyman in this city and then opened a plumbing

establishment in partnership with John Heffner, which was conducted with fair success for two years, when the firm was dissolved and Mr. Marchesseau associated with himself John Moran, in the same line of industry. At the close of two years more Mr. Marchesseau bought in Mr. Moran's interest, and has since been doing a satisfactory trade on his sole account, reaching \$15,000 per annum.

August 5, 1891, Mr. Marchesseau was united in marriage in Elkhart with Miss Margaret Pridmore, of South Bend, Ind., who bore him one child—Paul—but was called to her heavenly home May 22, 1892. The second marriage of Mr. Marchesseau took place November 30, 1894, to Miss Josephine McCarty, a native of White Pigeon, Mich., and this felicitous union has been blessed with two children—Helen M. and Mary J. Mrs. Marchesseau, beside being a well educated lady, is possessed of many feminine accomplishments that are useful as well as ornamental, and in 1889 engaged in the millinery business in Elkhart, being now the favorite in this line of the élite of Elkhart society. Her stock of goods is large, well assorted and fashionable, and her productions are in the best possible taste and style. The family belong to St. Vincent's congregation, are liberal in their contributions toward its support and Mrs. Marchesseau is a member of the Rosary sodality. Mr. Marchesseau is a master of his trade, is polite and accommodating and is fully deserving of the high esteem in which he is held.

**P**ATRICK WALSH, engineer for the water works department of the city of Logansport, Ind., is a native of Carbondale, Pa., was born January 26, 1843, and is a son of Dr. Patrick and Ellen (Cahill) Walsh, natives of Ireland.

The educational advantages of Patrick Walsh, the subject of this biographical notice, were somewhat limited, owing to the early death of his parents, which event threw him upon his individual resources while he was yet still young, but he nevertheless acquired a fair knowledge of the common English branches through self-education. At the age of sixteen years he began his

business life at railroading, and at eighteen, in 1861, enlisted in the volunteer service of the United States in the war to suppress the Rebellion, in which he served until the close, when he received an honorable discharge.

After the close of the war Mr. Walsh returned to Logansport and resumed railroading as a locomotive engineer on the Pan-handle railroad, which position he held until 1873, when a serious accident disabled him for further railroad work. Consequently, he sought and found employment as a stationary engineer in a stone-yard, and held the position until 1878, when he was appointed first engineer for the Logansport city water works, and this place he has competently held until the present time—a period of twenty years.

The marriage of Mr. Walsh took place, in 1868, to Miss Louisa R. Risberger, a native of Dayton, Ohio, and who, with himself, has for over thirty-three years been a devoted member of St. Vincent de Paul church, of which the Very Rev. M. E. Campion is the pastor. Mr. Walsh owns a very pleasant home at No. 819 Broadway, where he and wife enjoy the esteem of a large circle of warm-hearted friends and the cordial respect of their neighbors.

REV. T. S. MESKER, the present rector of the Cedar Grove parish, Franklin county, Ind., is a native of Evansville, and was born March 20, 1862. His early education was obtained in the parochial schools of St. Mary's church under the pastorate of Rev. Ferdinand Viefhaus, which school he attended until April, 1874. He then attended the commercial college at St. Meinrad, Ind., under the Benedictine Fathers. After a two years' commercial course he began the study of the classics and completed this course at St. Francis Salesianum, at Milwaukee, Wis., after which he re-entered St. Meinrad and completed the full course of philosophy and theology, and was ordained priest by Bishop Chatard at St. Meinrad, receiving his degrees as follows: Minor orders, May 19, 1883; sub-deacon, June 3, 1884; deacon, June 7, 1884, and priest, May 30, 1885.





*Sincerely Yours*  
*F. J. Messer*





HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS CHURCH,  
CEDAR GROVE, IND.



He officiated at divine service for the first time at St. Mary's church, at Evansville, June 7, 1885. His first ministerial charge was as assistant at St. Mary's at Indianapolis, being transferred from there to the pastorate of St. Bernard's church at Rockport, Ind. He contracted a severe illness whilst journeying to missions connected with this parish, and was forced to change climate for recovery. After several months' sojourn in the south he was appointed priest in charge of the Guardian Angel congregation, Cedar Grove, Ind., August 15, 1888.

Upon assuming charge of the congregation he found the parish somewhat in debt, but by assiduous toil and energy he succeeded in liquidating the debt in a few years.

Father Mesker is a gentleman of much personal magnetism, as well as ripe scholarship, coupled with brilliant oratorical powers, and these have endeared him to his congregation. He is a financier and has succeeded in erecting one of the most beautiful churches in the southern diocese. The building is a model of beauty, in an architectural sense, built in the Queen Ann Gothic style, is almost 100 feet in depth and has a frontage of forty-eight feet. It is a substantial brick, the arches, pilaster, caps, etc., being of buff Bedford stone. The tower on the west side rises to a height of 106 feet and is surmounted by a gilt ball and cross eleven feet high; the windows are gems of beauty. The interior of the church is artistic and pleasing to the eye; the pews are of natural oak, and the high altar and communion table are finished in white and gold. The church, with its furnishings complete, cost \$15,000. The valuation of the entire Catholic property in this parish is placed at \$25,000.

REV. GREGORY A. ZERN, pastor of St. Ann's church at Grass Creek, Fulton county, Ind., was born in Fort Wayne, Allen county, in 1869, and is a son of Francis X. and Justina (Lauer) Zern, natives of Germany. His early education was acquired at St. Peter's parochial school of Fort Wayne and was supplemented by a classical course of five years at St. Lawrence

college, Mount Calvary, Fond du Lac county, Wis., and then by a five-year course of theological study in Cincinnati, Ohio. He was ordained priest by the Right Rev. Bishop Rademacher, at Fort Wayne, June 21, 1895, and said his first mass June 30, 1895, in St. Peter's church, in the city of his ordination. For some short time thereafter he was an assistant to Rev. Father Bleckmann, of St. Mary's church, at Michigan City, and in September, 1896, was appointed to his present charge, where his labors have been rewarded by the love of his flock and the approbation of his superiors.

REV. JAMES ZIEGENFUSS, assistant pastor of St. Ferdinand's church, at Ferdinand, Dubois county, Ind., was born October 24, 1850, at Silberhausen, on the river Unstrut, in the Catholic Eichsfeld, as that part of middle Germany, or North Thuringia is called. His father, John Henry Ziegenfuss, a son of John and Katharine (Gunkel) Ziegenfuss, was born in 1811, and died in 1888; his mother, Otillia, daughter of Henry Adam and Eleanora (Mueller) May, was born in 1815, and died in 1876. James, the subject, was baptized October 25, 1850, at Cosmas Damian church, by the Rev. Tieleke, and received the sacrament of confirmation, in 1863, at St. Gertrud's, Dingelstedt, at the hands of the Right Rev. Conrad Martin, D. D., bishop of Paderborn.

After some correspondence with Rev. Schloesser, agent of St. Raphael society, Bremen, and having bid farewell to his beloved pastor, Rev. F. Meister, and to the worldly rulers of the place, Christoph Ziegenfuss and William Doering, January 1, 1881, he paid a last visit to his mother's tomb, took leave from his aged father, his two brothers and one sister, and many friends, who all had accompanied him to the depot, Silberhausen Dingelstedt; then to Leinefelde from John Doering, his godfather by confirmation, at Heiligenstadt Eichsfeld, from George Wiegel, his godfather by baptism, and before midnight he arrived at Bremen; January 5 he went on board the steamer Leipzig, under Capt. Pfeifer, of the Norddeutsche Lloyd, with 200 passengers to land in Chesapeake bay at Baltimore, January 18, 1881. He took the first train for

Little Rock; there he was happy in listening to and seeing for the first time a Benedictine Father, the vicar-general, Very Rev. Aegid Hennemann, O. S. B. Directing his steps to the Benedictine mission, which he reached January 25, he was cordially received by Very Rev. Bonaventura Binzegger, O. S. B., prior of St. Benedicts, now "New Subjaco" Abbey (Spielerville P. O.), Logan county, Ark.; staying there for seven months, he was called by the Rt. Rev. Abbot Fintan Mundwiler, O. S. B., entered St. Meinrad college September 1, 1881, Rev. Cyrine Thomas, O. S. B., being prefect; entered St. Meinrad scholasticate, under the rectorship of the Rev. Meinrad M. McCarthy, O. S. B., and was invested with the scholastic habit (a garment like that of the monk), December 24, 1882; entered the novitiate July 19, 1885, when Rev. Sigisbert Zarn, O. S. B., was master of novices and FF. instructor; professed July 25, 1886; made solemn vows July 28, 1889; was ordained by the Rt. Rev. Francis Silas Chatard, D. D., bishop of Vincennes, May 31, and June 13, 1890, the feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, he celebrated his first holy mass in the parish church at St. Meinrad. Then assisted the parish priest and taught at St. Meinrad college until April, 1891, when he was sent to St. Leo, a German settlement in the lovely Roberts Cove (Rayne P. O.), La.; thence he was called to be sub-prefect and professor at St. Joseph's preparatory seminary (Gessen P. O.), La.; came again to St. Meinrad August 16, 1894; was next in charge of St. Henry's, Ind., chaplain of St. Joseph's orphan's home, Ky., and since Passion Sunday, 1895, he is known as the assistant priest of St. Ferdinand.

REV. MATTHIAS ZUMBUELTE, pastor of St. Martin's church, Hanover Center, Lake county, Ind., was born in Westphalia, Germany, February 19, 1839, and is a son of Anthony and Elizabeth (Oelinghoff) Zumbuelte. He received his preliminary education in the parochial school of his native district, and his classical education was acquired at the academy of Muenster, the capital of Westphalia. Having finished his studies at this institution he accepted the kind invitation of the late Bishop J. H. Luers, of Fort

Wayne, Ind., and entered the American college at Louvain, Belgium, in the fall of 1864 and was ordained at Malines (Mechlin), Belgium, May 26, 1866, and immediately came to America. In October of the same year he was placed as assistant at St. Vincent de Paul church in Logansport, Ind., and two years later was transferred, as pastor, to Leo, Allen county, where he officiated, to the great satisfaction of his flock, until 1872; he then became pastor at Columbia City, Whitley county, where he remained until 1875, and then officiated at Crown Point, Lake county, until Easter Monday, 1876, and then made a visit of three months to his native land. On his return, he was appointed chaplain of the orphans' asylum at Rensselaer, Jasper county, where he also served as pastor of the church, and together with other work, erected a church-edifice. In 1888, he made another trip abroad for three months, and on his return was assigned to the pastorate of St. Joseph's, at Reynolds, White county, where he labored zealously one year, when he was assigned to his present pastorate of St. Martin's. Here his piety and many priestly qualities have won the hearts of his people, who are all Germans, and his many excellent traits of character as an individual have gained him many non-Catholic friends.

REV. W. J. QUINLAN, pastor of St. Paul's church, Marion, Grant county, Ind., was born in Syracuse, N. Y., April 16, 1864. When he was four years old his parents moved to Valparaiso, Ind., where the boy received his school education in St. Paul's school. He made his collegiate studies and his course of philosophy and theology in St. Lawrence college, Calvary, and St. Francis seminaries, Milwaukee.

Rev. Father Quinlan was ordained to the priesthood in the cathedral of Fort Wayne, by Rt. Rev. Bishop Dwenger, June 29, 1888. Almost immediately afterward the bishop appointed the reverend father pastor of St. Patrick's church, Arcola, with Piercetown as a mission, where he labored in the interest of the flocks confided to his care till August 20, 1891, when he was appointed to the cathedral, Fort Wayne. Beside attending to his duties as first





W. J. Quinlan





ST. PAUL'S CHURCH,  
MARION, IND.



assistant, he was secretary to Very Rev. Father Brammer, vicar-general, during his administratorship, and on the death of Father Veniard, C. S. C., took temporary charge of Besancon, where he built a beautiful two-story brick parsonage and placed the congregation on a good financial basis. After this hard term of filling three positions at one time, Bishop Rademacher sent Father Quinlan to Marion on January 8, 1894. In this new field his zeal and experience were immediately put to the test. Owing to a sudden influx of Catholics with the factories locating in the gas belt, the frame church became too small to accommodate the people for hearing mass on Sunday. The old building was enlarged to more than double its former size and fitted up for all the needs of a congregation, and on March 4, 1894, was dedicated by Very Rev. Father Brammer. After organizing his parish, establishing sodalities and societies, Father Quinlan turned his attention to a new church, and on September 30, 1895, he broke ground for new St. Paul's. The corner-stone was laid on May 17, 1896, and in spite of the panic and a long siege of sickness, the work was pushed on to completion, and on November 7, 1897, one of the prettiest churches in Indiana was solemnly dedicated. During the summer of 1897 the old parsonage was remodeled and enlarged. A new school in keeping with the surroundings and other public buildings will be begun in the spring, all arrangements being now made for that purpose.

**A**NTHONY RABEN, one of the oldest and most prominent business men of St. Wendel, Posey county, is a native of the village of Lichtenvoorde, in the province of Gelderland, Holland, and was born September 21, 1826, the fourth in a family of three sons and two daughters born to Lombartes Raben, who died when our subject was but three years of age, the latter being now the only survivor of the family.

Anthony Raben was educated in the schools of his native land and at the age of fifteen received his confirmation from the hands of Bishop Von Wykersloot, of Lichtenvoorde. At the age of nineteen he set sail from Rotterdam, April 16, 1846, and landed in New

York city after a voyage of seven weeks. He next went to Cincinnati, worked at his trade, that of a cooper, for one and a half years, and thence to New Orleans, worked there five months; thence went back to Cincinnati on a visit; thence came to St. Wendel, April 1, 1847. He began life here with a capital of \$250 and here continued at his trade until December, 1850, when he opened up a general store.

Mr. Raben has been married twice. His first wife was Miss Marie Tenbargar, to whom he was married by Father Weinzoepfel, July 3, 1850, and to this union were born four sons and six daughters, of whom five are still living, viz: Johanna, the eldest, is the wife of Fred Brokand, merchant-tailor of Evansville; she was confirmed at fourteen by Bishop de St. Palais. She was educated at St. Joseph's college, at Teutopolis, Ill., under the Sisters of St. Francis. John resides in St. Wendel, was confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais at the age of fourteen and received an excellent education in St. Joseph's college, at Teutopolis. He married Mrs. Kate Schnieder, March 20, 1890, and is the father of four children. Joseph is a resident of Ridgeway, Ill., and is a farmer. He was also confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais. He was educated at the college of St. Meinrad. He is married to Miss Kate Sieb. Theodore is a business man of Mount Vernon, Ind. He received his education in St. Meinrad, Teutopolis and Evansville. He married Miss Rose Fuelling, a native of near St. Wendel. Mary is the wife of Frank A. Thuis, a manufacturer, of Vincennes.

Mrs. Marie Raben was a native of Holland and born September 21, 1830. She was a devout Catholic all her life, died August 17, 1867, and is interred in St. Wendel's cemetery, where a beautiful monument marks her last resting place. Mr. Raben's second marriage was with Miss Sophia Schaefer, a native of Hesse Cassel, Germany. They were married by Father Kauffman, at St. Anthony, DuBois county, October 20, 1868, and to this marriage have been born four sons and two daughters, of whom the following four survive: Louise, wife of George Scheidel, a saddler, of Mount Vernon, Ind. Mrs. Scheidel was educated at Oldenburg, Ind., under the Franciscan Sisters, confirmed at the age of fourteen by Bishop Chatard. Henry is associated with his father in the

mercantile business. He was confirmed at the age o' thirteen by Bishop Chatard, and received an excellent education at St. Joseph's college at Teutopolis, Ill., and took the full business course at the Commercial college at Evansville, Ind. He is a member of the Knights of St. John at Mount Vernon, Ind., and was a first lieutenant. Politically he is a democrat, and was chosen delegate to the judicial and senatorial convention at New Harmony, Ind., May 17, 1897. He has spent most of his life in Mount Vernon as bookkeeper and accountant. Elizabeth T., who is still with her parents, was confirmed at the age of fourteen by Bishop Chatard. She was educated at St. Rose seminary, Vincennes, Ind., under the Sisters of Providence. She is a member of St. Rose Catholic society for young ladies in her church at St. Wendel. Charles N. is at home. He received his education at St. Wendel, and at the high school at Mount Vernon, Ind. He was confirmed at the age of fourteen by Bishop Chatard.

Anthony Raben has always supported the doctrines of the democratic party and he has thoroughly instilled the same political life and principles in his sons. He has the honor of being the oldest postmaster in the state of Indiana as well as the United States, continuously holding the office for almost one-half a century to the satisfaction of his people.

He has an extensive stock of general merchandise, consisting of dry goods, boots and shoes, hats and caps, clothing, queensware and a line of staple groceries in St. Wendel; beside, he is engaged in the milling business. In the support of his church he has always extended the hand of liberality, and any enterprise or charity worthy of his consideration has met with his hearty cooperation.

**J**OHAN C. EISERT, one of the most successful contractors and builders of Logansport, Ind., but now retired, was born in Baden Baden, Germany, May 20, 1836, a son of Francis A. and Francisca (Bradgrove) Eisert, the former of whom was born October 10, 1805, and the latter February 14, 1811.

The Eisert family came to America in 1839 and first located in Seneca county, Ohio. The father, who had served six years in

the German army and was a wheelwright by trade, worked at the latter in Ohio until 1845, when he came to Indiana, purchased from the government 220 acres of land in Indian Creek township, Pulaski county--being the sixth settler and the third Catholic to make a home in Indian Creek. He wrought out a good home from the wilds of the township, lived to pay for it and died in 1885, his widow surviving until 1892. Of their twelve children, six grew to maturity, viz: John C., whose name opens this biography; Mary, married to Gideon Fox, of Logansport; Andrew, who died in 1887, the father of six children; Catherine, wife of Adam Smith, of Logansport; Francis A., who died unmarried, and Magdalena, also of Logansport.

John C. Eisert was reared on his father's farm, but as schools were at a considerable distance from the homestead, his educational advantages were but limited. At the age of nineteen years he started in life for himself, learned the carpenter's trade, at which he worked in Iowa, Indiana and Missouri four years, when, having saved a little money, he returned to Pulaski county, Ind., purchased forty acres of land, erected a log cabin, and in January, 1859, married Miss Eliza Meeker, a native of Licking county, Ohio. Mr. Eisert industriously cultivated his farm until 1864, when he enlisted in company G, One Hundred and Fifty-first Indiana volunteer infantry, which was assigned to the Fourteenth army corps. After serving until the war had closed, Mr. Eisert returned to his farm, where, in the early part of the year 1866, his wife died, and in the latter part of the same year he married Sophia (Gelsenger) Nice, a widow with two children, Lizzie and Mary. Joseph Gelsenger, father of Mrs. Eisert, brought his family from Laundersburg, Alsace, in 1851, and located in Seneca county, Ohio, where he lived until 1863, and then settled in Pulaski county, Ind. To the union of John C. and Sophia Eisert have been born six children, three of whom are still living--Philip, Francis and Emma.

In 1873 Mr. Eisert came to Logansport and for two years worked at his trade as a journeyman and then entered into contracting, in which he reached the summit of success. He secured contracts for the erection of many dwellings, and in 1885 erected St. Joseph's church and later the St. Joseph school-building, and

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was the favorite house-builder of Logansport until his retirement in March, 1896. His residence is on a fifteen-acre tract just outside the city limits and he also owns an improved farm of 140 acres in Bethlehem township.

The Eisert family belong to St. Joseph's congregation and are very liberal in their donations to the support of the church, of which they are so faithful and devoted members. Mr. Eisert is also a member of St. Joseph Benevolent society and of post No. 14, G. A. R. In politics he is a democrat and for two years served as city marshal of Logansport. The family is highly respected, and outside the Logansport branch there are only two paternal uncles of Mr. Eisert in America—Joseph and Andrew, of Kentucky.

**J**OHN F. LICHTENFELD, carpenter and cabinetmaker at Evansville, is a son of Frank and Mary (Noltenmeyer) Lichtenfeld, parents of eight children. The parents of our subject lived and died in their native land, Germany, where the father had followed farming for a livelihood. John F. Lichtenfeld first saw the light of day on January 17, 1834, in Germany, and came to the United States when but eighteen years of age. From the point of debarkation he went to Louisville, Ky., remained there for seven years, and worked at the cabinet trade, and thence came to Evansville, where he has continued his trade ever since.

Mr. Lichtenfeld was united in marriage first, May 12, 1856, to Miss Louise Harmann. This union was blessed with one child, Frank H. The wife being called to a better land on March 10, 1857, Mr. Lichtenfeld married Miss Mary Stemper, his present wife. This union has been blessed with eight children, of whom five survive, viz: Henry J., George, John A., Ben and Mary L. All of the above children are devout Catholics, and have the respect of their fellow-layman.

Mr. Lichtenfeld has made his own way through life, having always been an industrious and frugal man. He has won the respect of all who know him in Evansville, and is counted as among the most substantial and useful citizens of the place, in the welfare of which he takes a decided interest.

**HENRY M. AHLERING** (deceased), formerly a popular merchant, as well as a prominent saw-mill proprietor at Evansville, Ind., was born in Germany, November 21, 1844, and died in Evansville, November 19, 1885, a faithful member of the Catholic church.

Mr. Ahlering was united in marriage, in Evansville, January 18, 1866, with Miss May E. Venneman, daughter of George Venneman, a well-known resident of this city, but who was born in Germany. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Ahlering was blessed with two children, of whom Philomena died in infancy, and Henry G. is the proprietor of an extensive furniture store in Evansville.

Mrs. May E. Ahlering is now living in retirement in this city, in a very handsome cottage, derived from her deceased husband's estate, and enjoys an enviable standing in the esteem of her neighbors and many other warm personal friends. She is one of the leading female members of St. Mary's congregation, and is never behindhand in her contributions to the support of the church and in the advancement of its good work in all particulars.

**HENRY G. DESHLER**, who is now leading a retired life at Howell, Vanderburg county, is a native of Germany, was born December 8, 1838, and is a son of Adam and Catherine Huffman Deshler, who were the parents of two children only.

Adam Deshler, who was a farmer in the old country, brought his family to the United States in 1849, landed in New Orleans, where he remained a short time and then came to Indiana, lived in Evansville awhile and next engaged in farming in Spencer county until his death, in 1872, a sincere member of the Catholic church and a citizen highly respected by all who knew him.

Henry G. Deshler, as will be seen from the foregoing remarks, was little more than a child when he was brought to America by his parents. He was educated in an old-fashioned log school-house in Spencer county and walked some four or five miles, morning and evening, each day, in order to receive instruction. Having received all the information that could be imparted in this primitive public school, he was apprenticed to the tinner's trade, in



Evansville, where he industriously followed until 1860, when he retired to enjoy in ease the fruits of his early labor.

Mr. Diebler was united in marriage April 1, 1860, with Miss Christine Fluerschinger, daughter of Matthias Fluerschinger, a native of Germany, and this union has been blessed with eight children named as follows: Andrew, John W., Henry F., Joseph C., Elizabeth, Caroline A., Mary Elizabeth and Florence J. Mr. Diebler and family are sincere Catholics, are members of St. Agnes' Church, of which Mr. Diebler is a trustee, and are highly respected in the social circles of Howell.

Mr. Diebler is, moreover, a true patriot, as is well evidenced by the fact that he enlisted in Rockport, July 26, 1861, in the Twenty-fifth Indiana volunteer infantry, under Col. Vandy, and served through the entire Civil war until honorably discharged in August, 1865. At the battle of Fort Donelson he was severely wounded in the thigh and at Shiloh received an ugly wound in the face, and this experience has gained for him an able part of the esteem which his personal merits have won for him.

**FRANK ENDRESS**, one of the most popular grocers and general merchants of Evansville, Ind., is a native of this city and was born January 3, 1834, a son of Jacobus and Catherine (Venz) Endress—the father a native of Germany and the mother native of Pennsylvania—and the parents of nine children.

On first coming to America the father lived for a few years in Pennsylvania, where he followed his trade of shoemaker until he came with his family to Evansville early in the fifties and here passed away in the year 1885, his wife having died in 1871.

Frank Endress was educated in the parochial schools of his native city, and at the age of sixteen years began learning the carpenter's trade, at which he worked two years. He later followed huckstering for ten years or more, and then formed a partnership with a brother for the purpose of doing a general merchandise business, under the firm style of J. & F. Endress. For ten years in addition to their general trade, the two acted as agents for the Standard Oil company, and at the expiration of this period Frank

bought in the interest of his brother, and has since carried on the business on his sole account, carrying at present a stock valued at \$4,000.

To the marriage of Frank Endress with Miss Elizabeth Freihant, daughter of Frank and Theresa (Scherer) Freihant, have been born the following named children: Frank T., Jacob, Walter G., Clemmens, Edmund, Tillie, Loretta, Anna and Mary E. The family are devoted Catholics and belong to St. Mary's congregation and Mr. Endress is, beside, a member of St. Joseph's society.

Mr. Endress is recognized as a leading citizen of Evansville, and is the occupant of one of the most prominent buildings in the east end of the city as a dwelling and place of business. He is active in the affairs of his church and very liberal in his contributions toward its support, but has never sought official position either in the church or in the government of the city. The family is universally respected and have many warm friends, both Catholics and non-Catholics.

**REV. PETER W. SCHAROUN, O. M. C.**, pastor of St. Benedict's church at Terre Haute, was born June 21, 1852, of German parents, in the city of Syracuse, N. Y., and was baptized in the church of the Assumption, in which church he likewise made his first communion and received the sacrament of confirmation. In the parochial school attached to this church he received his earlier education; later on his parents sent him to St. Francis' college, Brooklyn, N. Y., for further development in the higher sciences. In the seventeenth year of his age he began a career of teaching, and during this period successfully filled the position of principal in some of the prominent Catholic schools of Brooklyn. He was also awarded a teacher's certificate from the board of education in the city of Kingston, entitling him to teach in the public schools of Ulster county, N. Y.

March 2, 1878, he resigned his position as teacher, and on the 6th day of the same month and year joined the Franciscan Fathers, Minor Conventuals of St. Francis, established in his native city: here he made his novitiate, after which he was sent to the house



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of philosophy and theology at Trenton, N. J., where, under able professors, his progress was remarkable. November 8, 1882, he made solemn profession, and on the 17th day of February, the following year, was ordained to the priesthood in St. Mary's cathedral, Trenton, N. J., by the Right Rev. Michael Joseph O'Farrell, bishop of Trenton.

His first missions were St. Joseph's church, Beverly, N. J., St. Peter's church, Riverside, N. J., Our Lady of Lourdes, Trenton, N. J., SS. Peter and Paul's church, Camden, N. J., and at present (1898) he is pastor of St. Benedict's church, Terre Haute, Ind., of which church a full history will be found in the first volume of this work.

REV. MAURICE WAGNER, O. S. B., pastor of the Help of Christians church, at Mariah Hill, Spencer county, is a native of Ferdinand, Dubois county, Ind., and was born May 16, 1853, the eighth in a family of eleven children—six sons and five daughters—born to Henry and Rosina (Weber) Wagner, natives of Germany. Two of the daughters are Sisters of the Benedictine order, one at Covington, Ky., and the other at Ferdinand, Ind. The father of these children died at the age of eighty-four years; the mother is still living.

Father Wagner's primary education was acquired in parochial schools. In September, 1865, he entered the celebrated St. Meinrad's college at St. Meinrad, Ind., and passed through the preparatory course and the full philosophical and theological courses. June 29, 1870, he entered the novitiate of the Benedictine order at St. Meinrad, and June 29, 1871, made his vows. May 28, 1877, he was ordained priest by the Right Rev. Bishop Maurice de St. Palais, and celebrated his first mass June 8, 1877, at St. Meinrad's. For some years he held the professorship of Latin and Greek, of vocal and instrumental music. His first parish charge was at St. Meinrad's in or about 1880, after which he was transferred to Mariah Hill September 22, 1883. The first work of Father Wagner in this charge was the securing of three Benedictine Sisters, two as teachers and one as housekeeper, in 1884. He

began at once to erect their home, which is of brick, of four rooms, at a cost of about \$1,400, including the grounds. The next important improvement was the addition to the church—dimensions 28½ x 45 feet, and the erection of the spire, 135 feet in height. The new addition was begun in July, 1888 (the corner-stone being laid August 19, by the Rt. Rev. Fintan Mundwiler, O. S. B., the late abbot of St. Meinrad's abbey), and the rough structure of the church completed in 1889, and that of the spire in 1890. In 1892 a new roof was put on the old part of the church and the sanctuary, the ceiling changed and raised, and the entire church plastered with Acme cement and plaster Paris. The cost of the structure in the enlargement and of the improvement of the old part of the church, is estimated at \$5,000. In 1893, October 29, the church was consecrated by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Francis Silas Chatard.

The Rt. Rev. Abbot Fintan Mundwiler, O. S. B., celebrated pontifical high mass, assisted by Father Eberhard Stadler; Rev. Joseph Klein and Aloysius Kirschner were deacon and subdeacon. The bishop was present at the mass, attended by Revs. John Gorman and George Hoffman.

Father Wagner has purchased two bells, the larger 2,000 pounds and the other 500 pounds. The large one was blessed by Abbot Fintan Mundwiler, O. S. B., and the other by Father Conrad Ackerman, O. S. B. The cost was \$600 for the bells.

The present membership of the parish is 165 families or 887 souls, with not a dollar of debt. There are three schools—established since 1896—with one lay teacher and two Benedictine Sisters as teachers.

**W**ILLIAM J. BIEDERMAN, one of the most popular young clerks of Evansville, Vanderburg county, was born in this city October 28, 1872, a son of Charles and Philomena (Fells) Biederman, whose marriage has been blessed with eight children. The father is a native of Germany, but early came to America, and for a long time was the leading coal merchant of Evansville.

William J. Biederman received an excellent common-school education in his native city, but at a very early age began his

career as a clerk, and in this vocation has proved to be more than usually successful. On the 16th day of January, 1894, he was united in marriage with Miss Jennie Baker, daughter of Wendell and Mary (Galagher) Baker, Wendell Baker being a machinist by trade. To the happy union of Mr. and Mrs. Biederman have been born two children—Charles W. and Ellen—and the family enjoy the respect of the members of Holy Trinity (German Catholic) church, of which the parents are devout members and liberal supporters in their contributions. In politics Mr. Biederman is a sound democrat, but has never been a seeker after office.

CONRAD HAASE, the well-known mattress manufacturer of Evansville, Vanderburg county, Ind., is a native of Germany, was born October 26, 1826, and is a son of Joseph and Elizabeth (Hasting) Haase, who were the parents of two children only. The father was employed in a woolen factory the greater part of his life, and both he and wife died in their native land.

Conrad Haase received a good parochial-school education, and at the age of fourteen years began learning the weaver's trade, which he followed in his native country until 1854, when he came to America, landing in New Orleans, La., where he remained a few days only and then came direct to Evansville. His first employment here was at railroad work, but he also learned carpentering and cabinetmaking. In 1860 he began his present business, in which he has met with abundant success, and is now the leading manufacturer of mattresses in the city, being thoroughly competent, as well as adroit as a business man.

Mr. Haase was united in marriage at Evansville to Miss Caroline Weaver, daughter of Anthony Weaver, a native of Germany. To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Haase three children have been born, of whom, however, only one survives—Conrad, Jr., who is bookkeeper for his father and manager of the factory and sales-room. Mr. Haase and family are members of St. Mary's church, of which Mr. Haase was a trustee four terms and he is also a member of St. Joseph's society. In politics he is a democrat and is active in work for his party, and is also very liberal in his con-

tributions to the church of which he is a member. He is numbered among the substantial citizens of Evansville and he and family enjoy the full esteem of all who know them.

**HENRY JOYCE** (deceased) was formerly a well-known resident of Howell, Vanderburg county, but was a native of Ireland and a member of a family of eight children. His birth took place in 1836 and at the age of eighteen years he came to America. He was united in marriage February 20, 1855, with Miss Ellen McEreily, a native of Ireland, but who was only fourteen years of age when she came to America, and to this happy union were born nine children, six of whom still survive, viz: Charles J., Ellen, the wife of James C. Wilson; Mary A., James, Margaret A. and Henry. The mother and the children are all united with St. Agnes' church and are strict in the performance of their religious duties, but the father departed this life December 16, 1896, a faithful Catholic and an honored gentleman.

**JOSEPH A. MESSMER**, a retired capitalist of Howell, Vanderburg county, was born in Alsace, France, July 27, 1847, and after receiving a good common-school education and learning engineering came to the United States early in the 'fifties. He landed in New Orleans, where he lived about five years, and then for some time resided in Ohio. He next located in Evansville, Ind., was for some years employed as an engineer on the Ohio river and later engaged in keeping hotel for over twenty years in that city. In 1884 he came to Howell and re-engaged in the same business until 1896, when he sold out and retired to private life, and, although he passes much of his time in Colorado for the benefit of his health, he owns one of the most handsome residences in Howell and makes this his permanent home.

Mr. Messmer was united in marriage in 1869 with Miss Maria Peek, daughter of Levi P. Peek, of Daviess county, Ind., and this union has been blessed with one child, Emma, who is now the wife of William Rowe, of Kentucky, who is an engineer on a pas-



senger train of the Louisville & Nashville railroad. Mr. Messmer and wife are members of St. Agnes' church, of which Mr. Messmer has been a trustee several terms. He is recognized as one of the solid men of Howell and, with his wife, enjoys the respect of the entire community.

**PATRICK J. MOYNIHAN**, assistant foreman of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad shops at Howell, Vanderburg county, was born in Vincennes, Ind., February 22, 1858, a son of Patrick M. and Mary (Callaghan) Moynihan, natives of Ireland, but now deceased.

Patrick J. was educated in the parochial schools of his native city, where he also learned the blacksmith's trade, and where he worked as a journeyman until appointed to his present position in Howell. Mr. Moynihan was united in marriage with Miss Anna Spitz, daughter of Roman Spitz, a native of Germany, and to this marriage have been born four children, two of whom are still living, viz: Martha L., born January 14, 1886, and Anna P., born September 8, 1889. The family are members of St. Agnes' church, to the support of which Mr. Moynihan is a liberal contributor, while the democratic party receives his franchise at each and every election. Mr. Moynihan has ever been an industrious and frugal man, and through his own savings has become the owner of one of the finest residences in Howell.

**JOSEPH F. REITZ**, a retired merchant of Evansville, Ind., was born in Westphalia, Germany, February 19, 1837, a son of Francis J. and Wilhelmina (Wiene) Reitz, who came to the United States in 1843 and settled in Evansville, where the father passed a retired life until called away by death, November 1, 1859, the mother dying in January, 1876.

Joseph F. Reitz learned a trade and worked at it in Evansville until 1860, when he went to California and remained until 1865, and then returned to Evansville and engaged in the saw-mill business until 1869. His next venture was in the wholesale

and retail furniture trade, and this occupied his attention until 1894, when he disposed of his establishment and retired to the enjoyment of private life.

Mr. Reitz was united in marriage at Sainte Marie, Ill., on the 19th day of May, 1874, with Miss Louise Picquet, a daughter of Joseph and Caroline (Muller) Picquet, and this marriage has resulted in the birth of four children; of whom, however, only one, Charlotte, a young lady in her 'teens, lives to bless the household. Mr. Reitz, wife and daughter are members of the Assumption church, and Mr. Reitz is also a member of St. Joseph's society.

**H**ENRY ROSENBERGER, a well-known proprietor of a coopering establishment at Evansville, as well as a liquor dealer on a large scale, was born May 21, 1851, a son of Joseph and Elizabeth (Moschner) Rosenberger.

Joseph Rosenberger, a native of Germany, came to the United States in 1853 and first located in southern Indiana. He was a musician by profession and in 1863 enlisted in company A, Sixtieth Indiana volunteer infantry, in which he served until his death, near the close of the siege of Vicksburg, Miss. His family consisted, beside himself and wife, of five children, all of whom were reared in the Catholic faith.

Henry Rosenberger, whose name opens this biographical notice, was educated in the parochial schools of Indiana and at the age of twenty-one years engaged in coopering, a trade he followed for thirteen years, when he added the traffic in liquor, in both of which occupations he has met with marked success—a success he has deserved by his close attention to his business and his courteous treatment of his patrons.

The marriage of Mr. Rosenberger took place October 17, 1876, to Miss Theresa Leibel, daughter of Henry and Frances (Polk) Leibel, natives of Germany. Miss Theresa Leibel was born in Pennsylvania October 4, 1855, but at the age of six years had the misfortune of losing by death her mother, and at the age of ten years was deprived by the same fell destroyer of her father. This union of Mr. and Mrs. Rosenberger has been blessed with

seven children, of whom five are still living, viz: Henry, William, Amelia, Lilian and Sylvester. The family are members of St. Boniface's church, are very liberal in their donations to its support, and Mr. Rosenberger is, beside, a member of the Catholic Knights of America and St. Boniface's society. In politics Mr. Rosenberger is a democrat and stands prominently in the favor of his party, but, so far, has never sought official position.

**SIMON BARTHOLOME**, son of Joseph and Anna M. (Scholly) Bartholome, was born in Lawrenceburg, Ind., September 7, 1844, his parents being natives of Baden and Bavaria, Germany, who came to the United States about 1840 and became parents of fourteen children, of whom Simon Bartholome is the eldest. After receiving a common-school education in his native city, Mr. Bartholome went south and located at Vicksburg, Miss., and remained there until the confederation of the southern states, when he returned to his native city, and, at the age of about seventeen years, manifested his patriotism by enlisting in the Union army in August, 1861, returning from the war, honorably discharged, in April, 1865. On his second return to his native city he engaged himself in the brewing business until 1877, when he removed to Evansville, Ind., and engaged in the grocery trade for several years, and then engaged with Rietman & Schulte in saw-milling, and finally, on July 3, 1882, drifted back into the brewery business and up to this writing has been and still is general accountant for the Fulton Avenue branch of the Evansville Brewing' association, which has a capacity of turning out 200 barrels of their celebrated Rheingold beer daily.

Mr. Bartholome was married in Lawrenceburg January 23, 1866, by Rev. Father Scheve, to Miss Mary M. Albrecht, daughter of F. X. and Barbara (Beck) Albrecht, natives of France, who came to the United States about 1850. To the union of Mr. and Mrs. Bartholome have been born six children and all are still living to bless the home of their parents, and who are named, in order of birth: Lillie M., Joseph F., Anna C. B. J., Simon A., Marguerite I. and Charles L. The family are members of St.

Anthony's church, and in politics Mr. Bartholome is a republican. As a Catholic, no person in Indiana has been more ardent and energetic than Mr. Bartholome, as he has largely aided financially the erection of several churches, including St. Lawrence's, at Lawrenceburg, and St. Boniface's and St. Anthony's in Evansville; of the former two he was for some years a trustee, and is now one of the leading laymen of St. Anthony's, to the support of which he contributes most liberally. The family are highly respected throughout the city and certainly deserve the esteem in which they are held.

JOSEPH R. KUHLMANN, the accomplished bookkeeper and secretary of the Southwestern Broom Manufacturing company, was born in Germany, March 21, 1847, a son of John William and Katherine (Nunning) Kuhlmann. The father was a dyer by occupation, was born in 1802 and was called away, in the Catholic faith, in 1864, while the mother survived until 1872, when she passed to her reward, also in the same faith.

Joseph R. Kuhlmann received a sound education in his native land, and at the age of nineteen years came to the United States. He landed in the city of New York, where he remained about fifteen months and then came to Indiana, resided in Franklin county some time and then moved to Morris, Ripley county. His next change was to Lawrenceburg, Dearborn county, where he was employed as secretary of the Ohio Valley Coffin company one year, and for fifteen years was superintendent of the German-English department of the public schools of that city. He had, in the interval, learned cabinetmaking, but bookkeeping was more to his taste. From Lawrenceburg he came to Evansville in 1893, and entered the employ of the Southwestern Broom Manufacturing company as bookkeeper and secretary, and in this position he has rendered complete satisfaction.

Mr. Kuhlmann was first united in marriage with Miss Mary C. Fender, daughter of Frederick Philip Fender, of Brookville, and to this marriage were born three children, to-wit: Elizabeth P., who was born March 16, 1870, and died February 7, 1897; Will-

iam T. and August F. are the names of the surviving two. Mrs. Mary C. Kuhlmann was called from earth in March, 1886, and the second marriage of Mr. Kuhlmann, June 11, 1889, was with Miss Emma R. Albrecht, daughter of Francis X. Albrecht, a native of a province in France now belonging to Germany, and this marriage has been blessed with four children, of whom three are still living, viz: Barbara F., Joseph R., and Lucien S. The third child, Louis F., died in infancy. The family are members of St. Boniface's church and stand very high in the esteem of the residents of Evansville.

**J**OSEPH ZIEGLER, of Evansville, is a native of Germany, was born May 12, 1853, and is a son of Joseph and Magdalene (Kahre) Ziegler, parents of two children. The father was born November 24, 1828, was a merchant, came with his family to the United States in July, 1853, and was here laid to rest January 4, 1890, dying in Evansville, a devout member of the Catholic church.

Joseph Ziegler, the subject of this biographical notice, was educated in the parochial schools of Evansville and began his business life as a clerk in his father's grocery, and was so employed until twenty-one years old, when he engaged in business on his own account in Gibson county, where he was also a justice of the peace for four years. A few years later, however, he returned to Evansville and here learned the coppersmith's trade, which he followed for six years, and was then appointed patrolman, and later sergeant of police, and seven years later was promoted to the post of court officer, which position he shortly afterward resigned and opened a combined hotel and saloon July 17, 1896. In this business, by his gentlemanly demeanor and obliging disposition, he has met with more than usual success and has gained a popularity of which he may well feel proud.

Mr. Ziegler was united in marriage October 20, 1874, to Miss Rachel C. Zirkelbach, daughter of Andrew and Kathreine Zirkelbach, of St. James, Gibson county, eight children being the blessed result, and of these there are six still living, viz: Mamie, now the

wife of George Grassmann, an employee in William Heynes' furniture store; Rosa, Amelia, Ida, Edward J. and Victor. The family are members of St. Boniface's church, and Mr. Ziegler is also a member of the Catholic Knights of America and of the Royal Arcanum. In politics he is a warm democrat, but, although he works ar.dently for his party, he has never sought reward through public office.

CHRISTIAN ENGEL, who does the most extensive cooperage business of any man in the line at Elkhart, Ind., was born in Rhine province, Prussia, August 29, 1830, a son of Adam and Annie Engel, who had a family of seven children, viz.: Henry, Lambert, Peter, Christian, Anthony, Catherine and Elizabeth, all now deceased with the exception of Christian. The father was a contractor and builder and left a goodly estate at the time of his death, which occurred in his native province in 1854, his widow surviving until September 12, 1887, and both dying in the faith of the Catholic church.

Christian Engel attended a parochial school until fifteen years old, and was then apprenticed to brewing and coopering until twenty-one years old, when he entered company Seven, Thirtieth regiment, aid corps, of the Prussian army, in which, for three years, he held the position of corporal. After the expiration of his term of service, he worked two years at coopering, and then, in September, 1857, sailed for the United States, reaching Chicago, Ill., on the 27th of the same month. For four years he followed his trade, working in thirteen different states of the American Union. In 1861 he settled in Elkhart—although he had been here several times previously—and began business for himself in a small way, employing but six men the first year. But as the years rolled on the business increased, and he erected a saw-mill, adding staves and heading to his industry; he now employs twenty men, does a business of \$20,000 per annum, and owns, beside, considerable real estate in the city.

Mr. Engel was most happily united in marriage, at Goshen, Ind., February 28, 1868, with Miss Anna Sminch, a native of Prus-

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sia, born in 1840, but reared, from the age of two years to womanhood, near Avilla, Ind. This union has been blessed with six children, born in the following order: Mary, who is still at home with her parents; Edith, wife of J. Smith, of Detroit, Mich.; Clara, married to C. Messick, an artist of Elkhart; Anna, Lillie and Martin, all three under the parental roof. The family are all devout members of the Catholic church, Mr. Engel being a member of the School society and Mrs. Engel being a member of the Rosary society. In politics Mr. Engel is a solid democrat, and for one term has served as city alderman. He is a most energetic business man, and notwithstanding the fact that his plants have been destroyed in conflagrations, with no insurance, he has risen supreme over all disasters, and now stands as one of the substantial business men of Elkhart, with an untarnished name and respected by all who know him.

AUGUST ROSENBERGER, senior member of the firm of Rosenberger, Klein & Co., the most extensive grocery and farm implement merchants of Evansville, Ind., also extensive dealers in hardware, buggies, pumps, windmills, etc., was born in Neurode, province of Silisia, Prussia, Germany, on December 19, 1848, the first son and fourth child of Joseph and Elisabeth (Moschner) Rosenberger, who were blessed with a family of six children, three boys and three girls. The youngest boy died in infancy and the others are still living.

Joseph Rosenberger was a thorough musician, who came to this country in 1853, and settled in Indiana. In 1860 his family also arrived, and shortly after the breaking out of the Civil war he enlisted in company A, Sixtieth Indiana volunteer infantry, which was chiefly composed of Germans, and passed through many severe engagements, including the siege of Vicksburg, during which he died in 1863.

August Rosenberger was only twelve years of age when his parents brought him to this country, and here, as well as in Germany, he received a sound parochial school education. He began his business career at the age of twenty-seven years by entering

the retail grocery trade. In the year 1887 he, in connection with his brother-in-law, A. J. Klein, his present partner in the firm of Rosenberger, Klein & Co., started the Southwestern Broom Mfg Co., which they still own and which has now the reputation of being the largest of its kind in the world. From the very start, the business under the management of Mr. Rosenberger prospered, so it was necessary from year to year to build additions to his store, until, in 1889 and 1890, he was compelled to erect his present mammoth brick store-building, and from this time dates the partnership with his brother-in-law, A. J. Klein, and under their joint and able management they are still increasing their trade and plant, requiring large warehouses to store their immense stocks.

As to their broom business, this has been a marvelous success; never a year elapsed before an addition of one kind or another had to be made, and their goods have won such favoritism that they are now found in every portion of the United States.

Mr. Rosenberger was united in marriage October 29, 1878, with Miss Anna Klein, a sister of his present partner in business, and this marriage has been blessed with nine children, who are named, in order of birth: Bertha, Joseph, Ottilie, August, Anthony, Anna, Mary, Clara and Leo, all of whom are still living, except Joseph and Mary, who died in infancy. The eldest of these, Miss Bertha, is a most accomplished musician, although yet in her teens, and is organist for St. Boniface's church, of which the family are devoted members, and of this church, indeed, Mr. Rosenberger was one of the founders and for years trustee and secretary.

Mr. Rosenberger is a Catholic Knight of America and a member of St. Boniface Benevolent society, and is very generous in his contributions toward the support of church and its sodalities. He and his family stand very high in the esteem of the citizens of Evansville.









